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THE GREAT AIR RACE

AERO CLUB'S REPLY TO FRANCE & ITALY.

CANNOT DEFER

BRITAIN'S LONE FLIGHT.

London, Yesterday. The Aero Club, replying to France and Italy, states that postponement of the race for the Schneider Trophy is impossible. Hence Britain will win the cup outright by flying over the course on September 12 when she will aim at creating a new record.—Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Royal Air Club, this morning received an official notification from the Aero Club of Italy and the Aero Club of France that, unless the British Club was prepared to grant a postponement of the Schneider Trophy Race for at least six months, both countries must definitely withdraw from the contest. The reason given by both countries were bad weather, bad luck, loss of pilot and loss of aircraft. The matter was considered by the Royal Aero Club at a meeting this afternoon and subsequently it was announced that the Club had sent letters to the Aero Club of Italy and France informing them that the rules of the contest would not allow of postponement and that the Committee had no option but to refuse the request. The news of the withdrawal by the Italians and French has been received with the keenest regret by the British Team at Calshot which, of course, has had to face and overcome severe disappointments and misfortunes due to adverse weather and loss of personnel and material, just as the Italian and French teams have done.

As the race must be held British pilots will fly round the course on September 12 and will, it is certain, set up a new record. This, following her two previous victories at Venice in 1927 and at Southampton in 1929, will give Britain the right to retain the Schneider Trophy permanently.

Thereafter an attempt will probably be made on the world speed record set up after the last race by Squadron Leader Orlibar.

In aeronautical circles satisfaction is expressed at the ability of the British Aircraft Industry, in spite of the lateness of the British decision to participate in the race, to produce new "Wonderplanes," as high speed pilots have christened them, reports on the performances of which have no doubt convinced the Italians and French that it would be useless to enter the machines at present available for their teams. One of those, a Vickers Supermarine Rolls Royce Seaplane, has already, in the course of training flights, reached a speed of 405 miles an hour. This may be compared with the speed at which the last Schneider Race was won by Flying Officer Waghorn—324 miles an hour.

It is believed at Calshot that aero-engine experts in every country will be astonished when the statistics of the performance of the new Rolls-Royce racing motors, fitted to these planes, can be published. The engines fitted to the 1929 planes developed 1,900 horse power continuously through the race though totalling below maximum power. This year the power of the unit, has been considerably increased.—British Wireless Service.

It is now being gradually recognised that good manners and good business have a lot to do with each other.—Mr. Clough Williams-Ellis.

SHARE MARKET FEATURES.

Steady Undertone at Opening To-day.

BANKS IN DEMAND.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:—

There was a steady undertone in the market this morning. China Lights continued to ease off. Trans and Electric maintained their rise and Hotels (old) were quiet.

Banks were in demand at \$2.305.

Unions were also in request at yesterday's rate—\$557½—after sales at quotation.

Underwriters were wanted at \$6, after sales having been effected at \$6.20.

Wharves were enquired for at \$164.

Providents (old) were again wanted at \$5.55, after sales being put through at \$6.65. The new shares were again in request at \$3.15.

Hotels (old) were wanted at \$17, as were the old shares at \$16.60, with sellers asking \$17.

H.K. Lands, after changing hands at \$91½, were in demand at \$91½.

Humphreys Estates, old and new, remained stationary at yesterday's buying rates.

Realities were done at \$17.90, but at the close there were buyers at \$17.60.

Ewos came in for some support at \$15, but sellers wanted \$15.30 and nothing transpired at this rate.

Trams, which were reported done at rates ranging from \$22½ to \$23.85 to \$23, were in demand at the close at the middle rate mentioned.

China Lights were dealt in at \$31; there were sellers at this rate, but buyers would not go higher than \$30.85.

Electricity were again in demand and at a slight advance, the rate being \$32½, at which sales were effected, and at \$33.

Telephones (part paid), which were reported done at \$35 and \$35.30, were again in demand at \$34½.

Cements (combined) were in request at \$20½, but no shares came out at this rate.

Ropes were again in request at \$22.20.

Dairy Farms, after being done at \$33.85, were still in demand at the close at this rate.

Lane, Crawfords (old) were wanted at \$8, and the new shares at \$7.60.

Constructions (cum rights) were quoted \$13.75 nominal, and the new shares had buyers at \$1.

WINDFALL FOR CHARITIES.

Miss Amy Mary Bird, of Palmeria Avenue, Hove, left a considerable portion of her fortune of £210,099 (net personally £185,594) to charities.

Testatrix gave: £750 and a perpetual annuity of £600 to the London Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine for Women (University of London), and the following perpetual annuities: £500 Dr. Barnardo's Homes, £300 each Royal Free Hospital, Miss Agnes Weston's Homes, the Surgical Aid Society, the Middlesex Hospital, Brompton Hospital for Consumption, and London Association in aid of Moravian Missions.

£200 each Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, Royal Society for Assistance of Discharged Prisoners, and Church of England Temperance Society. £100 each Salvation Army, Church Missionary Society, Cancer Hospital for Women, and Charity Organisation Society.

STOLEN GLASS TO BE RETURNED.

Innocent Third Party The Sufferer.

DISHONEST EMPLOYEE.

In the Summary Court this morning, Mr. Justice Lindsell gave judgment for plaintiffs, with costs, in the case in which Lee Yu-cheung, trading under the firm name of Lee Yu Kee, at 24c, Des Voeux Road, Central, sued the Sun Hing Glass Shop, of Battery Street, Yau-mat, in respect of wrongful conversion of 100 cases of glass, the property of plaintiffs. An order was accordingly made for the return of the glass.

At a previous hearing the facts had been agreed upon; in that it was admitted that the goods had been obtained by larceny, and sold to plaintiffs. Police court proceedings were taken after the discovery, and one man, plaintiff's office employee, who wrongfully obtained possession of the delivery order for the goods, was convicted of conspiracy.

Conversion and Estoppel. Mr. F. X. d'Almada, junr., who appeared for defendants, had contended in Court that they could not be held liable in conversion, as the Police had removed the goods under a search warrant; and he also pleaded estoppel, by reason of negligence by plaintiff's servant, the godown keeper, who handed over the goods.

His Lordship intimated this morning that he would not need to hear Mr. Horace Lo, (for plaintiffs) on the latter point. He would deliver judgment at once.

Text of Judgment. His Lordship's judgment was as follows:—

The facts in this case being agreed there is no need for me to dilate upon them, except to emphasise three points not appearing in the statement of facts:— (1) It is admitted that the cases of glass, the subject matter of this action, were in fact stolen from the plaintiffs' godown.

(2) I find it proved on the evidence given before the Magistrate that plaintiff's godown keeper was guilty of carelessness in accepting a delivery order which he ought to have realised to be a forgery. (3) It is admitted that the said glass had been seized by the Police, under a search warrant, and removed from the control of the defendants before they received any demand from the plaintiffs to deliver it up.

On the strength of this last fact, Mr. d'Almada argues, and I think quite rightly, that defendants cannot be held liable in conversion. It follows in my opinion that even if I hold that they must hand over the glass to plaintiffs, they should not be mulcted in damages for detention.

Estoppel Point. Mr. d'Almada, however, claims that plaintiffs are estopped by the negligence of their servant, in the absence of which the larceny of the goods could hardly have been effected, from setting up their title to those goods, and in support of this claim quotes 27 Halsbury, paragraph 1614 on page 915, "If the owner of lost or stolen goods is guilty of such negligence that third parties are thereby induced to acquire them bona fide and for value the owner may be estopped from claiming the goods."

Examination of this dictum and of the cases on which it is based (Beckwith v. Corral 125, 3 Bing. 444 and Morrison v. Buchanan 1893, 6 C & P 18) make it perfectly clear, however, that the all-important word is "induced." To deprive them of their title it is not sufficient to show that but for their negligence the plaintiffs' goods might never have been lost or stolen; it must be clearly established that it was their antecedent negligence that actually induced

CHINA & MEXICO.

Expulsion of Chinese.

U.S. TO MEDIATE.

Washington, Yesterday. The State Department has advised the Chinese Legation that Government might be able to help to seek a solution of the controversy in connection with the expulsion of Chinese from Mexico.—Reuter's American Service.

the defendants to accept the goods or to do something which has amounted to innocent conversion thereof.

Conversion Liability. In Morrison v. Buchanan (supra) plaintiffs were the drawers of a bill of exchange, the existence and nature of which, and the means by which it might be stolen after acceptance, were revealed to a dishonest third party by the negligence of one of the plaintiffs' employees. The acceptor having parted with the bill to that third party was held not liable in conversion on the ground of plaintiffs' own negligence inasmuch as thereby they had held out the third party as authorised to receive the bill and hence had induced defendants to hand it over to him.

Hence it seems clear that to defeat plaintiffs' title in such a case there must have been some form of representation on their part to the defendants on account of which the latter have been induced to treat the goods as their own or to deal with them in some way incompatible with plaintiffs' rights.

Present Case Different. In the present case there was no such representation. Defendants had contracted to buy the goods some days before delivery. They appear to have trusted the middleman Wong On but it cannot be argued that defendants in any way held out the latter as having authority to dispose of their goods, or that the negligence of the godown keeper in any way contributed to the carrying through of the sale contract, although it may have made the actual delivery of the goods possible.

Mr. d'Almada's argument goes a great deal too far. If it were sound it would follow logically that wherever a servant's negligence, e.g., in leaving a window unbolled, has enabled a thief to get in and steal some article belonging to the servant's master, the latter will be debarred from recovering the article from an innocent purchaser who had given value for it to the thief. I cannot agree that this is the law.

Clear Law on the Point.

Even on negligence, Vol. 2 at page 1634, lays down the true law very clearly, "the doctrine of estoppel in pais is aimed at the prevention of injustice where one party has been led into error by the fault or fraud of the other, but it can have no application, unless the party invoking it can show that he has been induced to act or refrain from acting by the acts or conduct of the adverse party in circumstances that would naturally and rationally influence ordinary men. Thus it can only be set up by one who has been actually misled to his injury; for if not misled he can have no grounds for the protection of the principles he invokes." (cf. Young v. Grote (1827) 4 Bing. 253, Swan v. N. British Australasian Co. 1883, 2 H. & C. 175, 182, Union Credit Bank v. The Mersey Docks and Harbour Board (Two cases) 1899, 2 Q.B. 220, 221.)

There must be judgment for the return of the glass to plaintiffs, with costs.

Damages Asked. After His Lordship had delivered judgment, Mr. Lo again raised the question of damages; maintaining that his clients were entitled to damages incurred whilst the goods were out of their possession.

His Lordship agreed to permit evidence to be brought on the point.

THE TYPHOON'S TOLL.

Many Lives Now Reported Lost.

THRILLING RESCUES.

Further light on the havoc wrought amongst junks by the typhoon, which passed near Hong Kong on Wednesday afternoon is revealed in Police reports this morning, and according to the reports, there were some thrilling rescues.

Rescued 8 Persons. Wong Shue-hee, master of a fishing junk, relates that he was sailing off Tan Kong Tau, which is east of the Colony between Stanley and Saikung, when he heard cries of "Save life." He observed a junk wrecked and sunk. He rescued eight persons and was informed that nobody was drowned. The incident occurred at 1.30 o'clock yesterday morning.

38 Lives Saved. At eight o'clock, Cheung Kam-kee, master of a fishing junk was also sailing in the vicinity when he noticed four junks in distress. Three had been wrecked, whilst a fourth was washed up on shore. He approached the scene, and was successful in saving the lives of 38 persons.

Washed Overboard But Rescued. Cheung Fat-kap, master of another fishing junk, reported that during the typhoon he anchored at Aberdeen, but at 4 o'clock that afternoon, the craft broke moorings and drifted being finally wrecked at Tai Lok, near Lye-mun Pass. Four males were carried overboard by the heavy seas, but there were fortunately picked up by another fishing junk which happened along.

Victim of Storm Washed Up. The body of a woman, aged about 25 years, was found by the Police on the foreshore at Cheung Sha Wan. She had apparently been drowned during the storm. Deceased is believed to be Wong Mee, who was reported missing from a junk anchored in the Yau-mat Typhoon shelter.

Derelict Junk. It is also learned that the Police at Stanley Station observed a derelict junk drifting in a westerly direction. Nearly 80 reports of native craft sinking or being damaged in Wednesday's storm were received at the Harbour Office yesterday. Included in these are the following reports of fatalities:—

Folk Missing. Chan Yung-fook, master of cargo boat 238, stated that at about 9 a.m. on Wednesday his vessel was alongside the s.s. Tung On delivering coal. At about 11.30 the Tung On left to go to shelter at Stonecutters, taking the junk in tow. About 6 p.m., the Tung On started to return to the wharf and the junk was again taken in tow. When in the middle of the harbour the tow rope broke and the junk drifted away, being soon lost to sight. All the crew of the junk, with the exception of one fohki, were on board the Tung On. The fohki, Chan Sui (25), has not been seen since and is believed to have been drowned. The junk, which is given up as wrecked, is valued at \$1,200.

Woman Believed Drowned. Wong Muko, master of passenger boat 3236, reported that at about 9 p.m. on Wednesday, his boat, together with two cargo boats, was taken in tow by the steam launch Lee Ka. The intention was to proceed to the Yau-mat shelter through the northern entrance. When the craft were off the breakwater the tow ropes of the cargo boats broke and they dropped back on the sampan and the three drifted together until the rope securing the sampan to one of the larger craft snapped under the strain. Two women managed to climb on to one of the junks. A third, Wong Kam-mui (28), failed to seize the tow rope and she drifted away in the sampan which

GERMAN - AUSTRIAN CUSTOMS UNION.

Renounced by Signatory Countries.

FRANCE SATISFIED.

Geneva, Yesterday. Dr. Curtius, for Germany, made a statement renouncing the customs union. It is practically identical with what Dr. Schober said. M. Flandin, on behalf of France, said that the declarations would contribute to the spirit of co-operation and good understanding in Europe.

M. Flandin's remark is interpreted as expressing French satisfaction.—Reuter.

\$3,500 MISSING FROM SAFE.

Motor Bus Manager's Unpleasant Surprise.

ACCOUNTANT GONE?

Mr. Ngan Sing-kwan, manager of the China Motor Bus Co., Ltd., has reported to the Police that on opening the safe at the company's office, Chatham Road, Hunghom, at two o'clock yesterday afternoon, he found that \$3,500 and a quantity of jewellery, the value of which is at present not established, had been stolen. He further alleges that his accountant is also missing.

Illiterates over 10 years old in the United States are reported officially to have numbered 4,283,749, or 4.3 per cent. of the population, in 1930, a decrease of 648,165 during the last ten years.

later sank. She is believed to have been drowned. The value of the sampan is given as \$110.

Twenty-Eight Lost?

Kwok Kit, master of fishing junk 3607, reported that at about 10 a.m. on Wednesday the boat was engaged in fishing off Waglan with a crew of 30 on board, comprising 12 men, 14 women, and 4 boys. They did not know that a typhoon was approaching. When the wind rose, they attempted to return to shelter in port but failed. The junk was capsized and all its occupants were thrown into the raging sea. Some managed to cling to the sail whilst others hung on to bamboo poles and drifted about. They drifted in different directions and soon lost sight of each other. Iwok and a fohki named Ip Yau managed to keep together and after drifting for a time they were rescued by Shek Tso-tai, master of fishing junk 3247. The other 27 fohkis were not seen again and it is feared that they lost their lives. The junk, which subsequently sank, is valued at \$5,000.

Clung to Capsized Boat for 2 Hours.

Fung Ngan-chai, master of fishing junk 4447, reported that while his craft was under way near Stanley on Wednesday morning, he saw the typhoon signal hoisted and promptly tried to make for the shelter of Aberdeen harbour, but the junk capsized before it could reach shelter. The crew of 11, comprising six men, three women, one boy and one girl were all thrown into the water. They clung to the bottom of the capsized boat from noon until 2 a.m., yesterday when they were rescued by Ma Sun-hing, master of fishing junk 337. When a roll call of the members of the crew of the capsized junk was taken, Fung discovered that his father, Fung Cheung-kwong (55), and his wife, Fung Cheung Shi (22) were missing. He believes that they drowned. The junk is worth \$3,200. Several reports were also received by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, and it is possible that these, added to those made at the Harbour Office, would make the toll of native craft taken by the "blow" amount to over the 100 mark.

SILVER MEETING

TO ASSEMBLE IN PARIS.

SIX NATIONS

DEPRESSION TO BE STUDIED.

Washington, Yesterday. An unofficial conference of "financial" experts is to meet in Paris on September 17 under the auspices of the International Chambers of Commerce to study the silver depression. This move apparently was initiated by the United States Chamber of Commerce who previously had sound other countries. Experts invited to attend the Conference comprise Britain, France, India, China, Japan and the United States. It is explained that the conference has not been called with the idea of stabilising silver, but to prevent wide speculation. Its decision will be submitted to the Council of International Chambers of Commerce in Paris meeting on October 23.—Reuter.

[On September 1, Senator Key Pittman spoke a meeting of silver miners in Spokane that President Hoover would convene a Silver Conference at an early date. But President Hoover's Secretary, however, stated that it was most unlikely that the President would take the initiative in calling such a conference.]

It was ascertained, however, that International Chambers of Commerce was "sounding out" experts in order to determine whether it was feasible to hold an unofficial international conference. It would seem that it has been held feasible.]

A QUEER WILL.

Mrs. Julia Marianne Wasteneys (sometimes known as Lady Julia Marianne Wasteneys), of Ivy Lodge, Southwick Green, Hove, who left £26,698 gross, with net personally £23,607, stated in her will: "I wish my body to be cremated and my ashes placed in the vase lined with silver now in the Indian Hall and sent to India, to be thrown into the Ganges by either Dr. Ambus Rose, of The Hospital, Patna, Bengal, or by the eldest son of Mrs. Rose, of Midnapur, Bengal. Among other bequests she left: £250 to the Free Home of the Dying, Church House, Westminster. £300 to Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

CLOUDY AND RAIN.

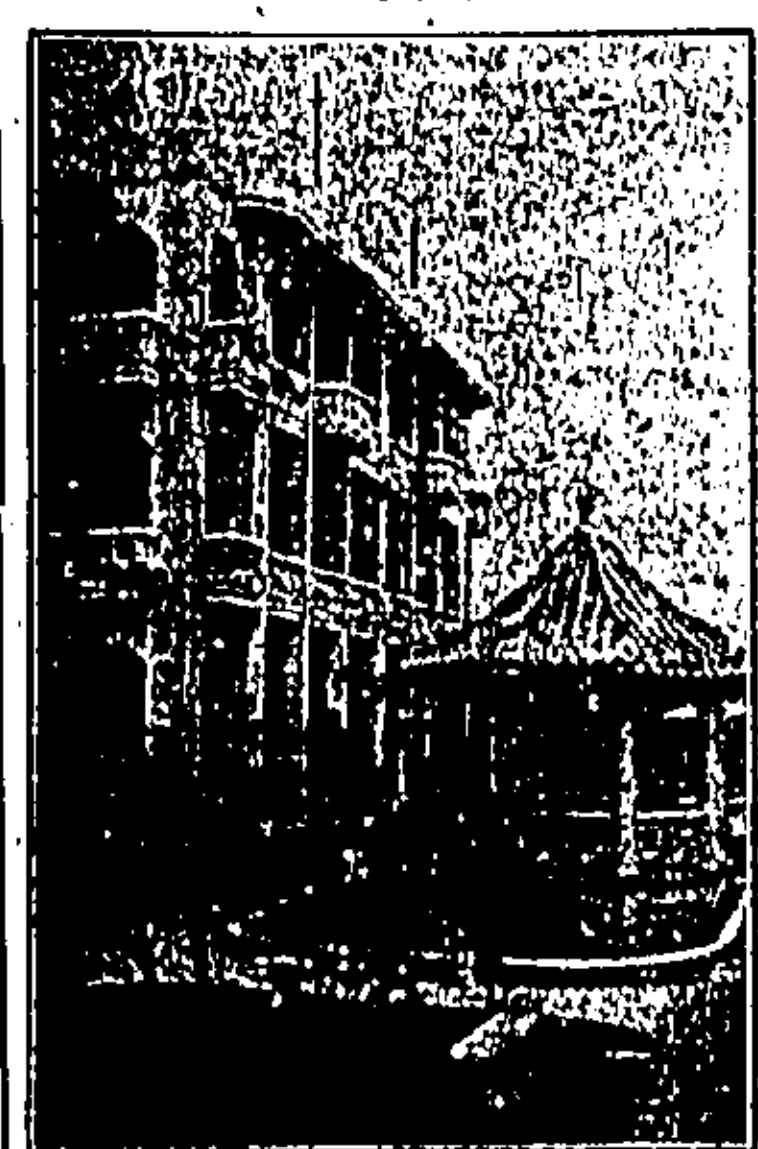
The Royal Observatory's report issued at 10.42 a.m. to-day states:—

The typhoon has left an area of low pressure over S.V. China and the N.W. China Sea. The northern depression continues to move E.N.E. to the South of Vladivostok. Forecast: Southerly winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some rain.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.20 inch. Total since January 1—53.42 inches against an average of 67.25 inches—deficit 3.83 inches.

Temperature. The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	77
Macao	76
Pratas Island	79
Manila	77
Foochow	81
Amoy	82
Chefoo	66
Shanghai	72



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Piano Solo—
Minstrels (Debussy), William Murdoch (5167).
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Finlandia—Tone Poem (Sibelius), Valse Triste (Sibelius), G. T. Pattman (9163).
Cello Solo—
The Broken Melody (Von Blenc), Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes (arr. Squire), W. H. Squire (L2127).
9.58-10.25 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Selections.
The Pirates of Penzance, Court Symphony Orchestra (938).
The Gondoliers—Vocal Gems, Columbia Light Opera Co. (9565).
New Sullivan Selection.
Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (9495).
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
N.B.—If possible the European Studio Concert which was arranged for Wednesday Evening, and had to be postponed on account of the Typhoon will be broadcast this evening from 9.45 instead of the above records.

ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

What Mail Reviewers Say.

"DERELICT."

The entertainment now being offered and provided at the King's Theatre is decidedly good, and the programme well balanced. The Talkartoon is highly amusing. Don't miss it!

The feature film, "Derelict," will give you many thrills and, incidentally, enable landlubbers to appreciate what a typhoon out at sea on a small freighter means.

The first scenes are laid in Havana, where two mates, deadly rivals, with scores to settle with one another, meet. Rivalry is fanned into envy when the one cuts the other out with a girl. The loser comes back one on his rival by smuggling the girl aboard the ship of which his rival is the Captain (newly promoted) and on his first voyage in command and he (the loser) the mate. There is a collision at sea in dense fog which happened when the Captain was off the bridge enquiring into the case of the woman stowaway of whose presence he had just been informed.

On arrival in port he is relieved of his command, and the mate takes over. A fight follows in which the discharged and disgraced Captain is laid out. He finally signs on as mate on a banana freighter and is instrumental in saving his rival's ship in a terrific storm. For his bravery and excellent seamanship he is re-instated Captain, and the lights flick off on the girl and the re-appointed Captain going ashore to be wed.

The thrills come in the great storm scenes, and these succeed in being very realistic.

"MEN CALL IT LOVE."

Adolphe Menjou, the screen's perfect lady killer lived up to his name in the picture "Men Call It Love" which started its run at the Queen's Theatre yesterday. He co-starred with Lella Hyams with a well balanced supporting cast.

As usual Adolphe's special meat are married women, but in this case, instead of being the direct cause of the break between a loving married couple, Menjou was only an accessory to it, that green-eyed monster, jealousy, playing most of the havoc which all but wrecked the home.

What is more, Adolphe actually falls genuinely in love with the girl in the case. She turned to him out of caprice, just to show hubby (Norman Foster) that she didn't care, and caprice also prompted her to ask for a divorce in order to marry Menjou.

However, Adolphe discovers the true lay of the land and showed for once that he is not all bad and is capable of making sacrifice for the sake of the happiness of his loved one. He decides to go out of the girl's life "until she really wanted him" and thus makes the way clear for a happy reunion between husband and wife.

"THE 13TH CHAIR."

The revelation of a murderer at a seance held in a darkened room, and in the most weird surroundings, is one of the sequences in M.G.-M.'s talkie thriller "The Thirteenth Chair," starring Conrad Nagel and Lella Hyams, now being screened at the Star Theatre.

Based on a story written by Bayard Veiller, the film opens with a mysterious murder in Calcutta. The victim's friend is determined to unravel the guilty person, and he arranges for a spirit seance to take place in the residence of Sir Roscoe Crosby, the Governor.

Thirteen guests are seated in a circle, including the spirit medium (excellently played by Margaret Wycherly). When the lights are turned on, one of the party falls dead to the floor, having been stabbed in the back. The knife cannot be found anywhere in the room....

The supporting cast includes Helene Millard, Holmes Herbert, Mary Forbes, Bela Lugosi (who figures in "Dracula") John Davidson, Charles Quandermaine, Moon Carroll and Cyril Chadwick, among others.

A Hearst Newsreel and an amusing Harry Langdon comedy are screened in addition.

From Other Sources.

"UP POPS THE DEVIL."

Love in Greenwich Village is the theme of "Up Pops the Devil," Paramount's latest comedy-romance adaptation of a Broadway hit of last season which comes to the Central Theatre to-day.

"Up Pops the Devil" gives an amusing and realistic insight into the life of the tony-turvy people who live in the region of MacDougal Street.

Norman Foster is the young advertising writer who manages to keep the wolf away from the door of the apartment occupied by himself and his wife, Carol Lombard—on \$75 per week. But he can't seem to keep away the host of friends, casual acquaintances and just casuals, who burst in on them at all hours, in the quest of gin and din.

Foster is satisfied. He isn't earning enough money to keep up the pace. If he could only settle down and write that novel....

His wife finally persuades him to reverse places with her. He is to do the house-keeping and devote the remainder of the day to write his novel; and she is to be the wage-earner, taking a job in the chorus.

But the plan is upset by the arrival of a pretty little Southern girl (Joyce Compton) who lives in an apartment upstairs. She puts a bombshell in the serenity of the domestic scene—although she is really innocent of any great maliciousness.

Foster aggravates the situation by accusing his wife of devoting too much attention to Theodor von Eltz, the publisher who had promised to purchase the complete novel.

But the story works itself out to a happy finish after a number of intriguing situations.

Skeets Gallagher, plays the role of Biney Hatfield, the wise-cracking friend of the family who gets Miss Lombard the job in the chorus of the revue he is staging at the big up-town movie house.

Stuart Erwin is one of the "casuals." Unknown by face or name, he appears at the apartment and makes himself at home—a typical gesture in "the Village."

Others who provide hilarious moments are Lilyan Tashman, Edward J. Nugent, Eulalie Jensen and Sleep N. Eat, the negro comedian.

"KICK IN"

With the filming of "Kick In," which will show at the King's Theatre next, the startling Willard Mack stage play, Paramount picture executives declare they have produced the outstanding story of Clara Bow's sparkling screen career.

Disimilar from all Bow starring vehicles of the past, "Kick In" presents the red-headed favourite in a sheer dramatic role. In no part is the story relieved by those touches of farce or comedy which have characterised Clara Bow's most famous productions, "No Limit," "Her Wedding Night," "It," and

other outstanding successes, according to B. Schulberg, managing director of Paramount's Hollywood production.

"Kick In," made under the direction of Hollywood's outstanding dramatic director, Richard Wallace, the man who directed Ruth Chatterton in "The Right to Love," is the deeply emotional story of a girl who fights the law, the temptations of lawlessness, the threats of the underworld for an ex-convict Clara Bow portrays a character as terribly real as life itself.

Regis Toomey, the young stage star of "Alibi," who has been seen recently in George Bancroft's "Scandal Sheet," has the leading male role. Wynne Gibson, one of Paramount's bright, new personalities who has already contributed outstanding performances in "The Gang Buster," "June Moon" and "Man of the World," is also in the cast, with Donald Crisp, Paul Hurst and Juliette Compton.

In "Kick In," every opportunity has been given Clara Bow to display the dramatic talents about which Hollywood's leading directors have been marvelling for years. She has both story and supporting cast, as the fighting, loving victim of circumstances who fights the law to keep her sweetheart. The story is filled with human, vital drama of emotions, according to Schulberg, "just the kind of role Clara needs to prove herself."

"OUTSIDE THE LAW."

The most intimate crook story ever filmed is the treat in store for the patrons of the Central Theatre with the showing of Universal's outstanding photoplay "Outside the Law," which is the next attraction of the theatre.

The story revolves around the robbery of a large metropolitan bank by a crafty crackman and the complications resulting in his refusal to split fifty-fifty with a gang leader. The action moves swiftly and builds up to one of the most dramatic climaxes ever brought to the screen.

Universal has selected a superb cast to portray the characters in the story. Mary Nolan, ever a splendid emotional actress, is said to give her most finished performance in "Outside the Law" as the accomplice of the crook, Fingers, played by Owen Moore. Edward G. Robinson, as the gang leader, "Cobra" Collins, a distinctive underworld character, a Chinese-American, in his new film drama and Owen Moore is seen as Fingers, a bank robber as cunning as a rat.

The screen play has been adapted from the original story written by Tod Browning. He also directed the photoplay.

Although the plot deals principally with the professional activities of crooks, the emotional human side of the crackman, and his accomplice and a jealous rival are well brought out in this absorbing drama.

STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset in Colony.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for September, 1931, Standard time of the 120th Meridian East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

September	a.m.	p.m.
4	6.07	6.38
5	6.07	6.38
6	6.07	6.37
7	6.07	6.35
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9	6.08	6.33
10	6.08	6.32
11	6.08	6.31
12	6.08	6.30
13	6.09	6.29
14	6.09	6.28
15	6.10	6.28

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre;

"Derelict." Theatre;

To-day — Queen's Theatre;

"Men Call It Love." Theatre;

To-day — Central Theatre;

"Up Pops The Devil." Theatre;

To-day — Majestic Theatre;

"Noah's Ark." Theatre;

To-day — Star Theatre;

"The 13th Chair." Theatre;

To-morrow—Prince's Theatre;

Paul Pedrini and his Royal Zambesi Baboons.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.

Home Mails.

To-day — Outward for Europe

via Suez (Hakozaki Maru), 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Outward for Europe

via Siberia (Pres. Cleveland), 5 p.m.

Land Sales.

September 8—At P.W.D. Offices,

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September 9—At Sales Room,

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Miscellaneous.

To-day — Philharmonic Chorus

Rehearsals, 8.45 p.m.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

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5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

7.05-7.35 p.m.—Operatic.

Orchestral—
Mignon—Selection (Thomas),
New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra (9208).

Song—
Faust—Jewel Song (Gounod),
Roméo and Juliet—Waltz Song (Gounod),
Gertrude Johnson (Soprano) (9193).

Octet—
The Bohemian Girl—Then You'll Remember Me (Baile arr. Sear),
Maritana—Scenes That Are Brightest (Wallace arr. Sear),
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (9107).

Song—
Faust—Gaiest the Power (Gounod),
Harold Williams and B.B.C. Chorus.

Chorus—
Faust—Soldiers' Chorus (Gounod),
The B.B.C. Chorus (9143).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

7.35-8.25 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
Bitter Sweet—Vocal Gems,
Columbia Light Opera Co. (9000).

The Desert Song—Selection,
Debroy Somers' Band (9200).

Rose Marie—Rose Marie,
Derek Oldham (Tenor).
Rose Marie—Indian Love Call,
Edith Day & Derek Oldham (9088).

Lady, Be Good—Selection,
The "92nd" Orchestra (9100).

8.25-9.10 p.m.—Orchestral.
The Gipsy Baron—Overture
(Johann Strauss),
Bruno Walter & Symphony Orchestra (L2352).

La Valse (Ravel),
Orchestre De La Societe Des Concerts du Conservatoire, Paris (L2245-3).

The Two Pigeons (Messenger),
Band of Garde Republicaine of France (9637-8).

9.10-9.58 p.m.—Instrumental.
Piano Solo—
Capriccio (Brahms),
(a) Duet (Mendelssohn),
(Continued at foot of Column 1.)

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

WHEN TOMMY ARMOUR CADDIED

Prestwick Veteran's Recollection.

By NIBLICK.

Golf enthusiasts in Edinburgh who have followed the fortunes of teams in the Dispatch Trophy tournament on the Braid Hills, will be interested to hear of a meeting I had at Prestwick with J. H. Andrew, one of the oldest and most notable figures on the Ayrshire links. When I first saw him he was standing on the edge of the last green watching two of the players in the qualifying stages holding out, and it seemed to be calling back memories to him for although he still follows every move in the game throughout the world his own golfing days are over.



Tommy Armour, who won the British Open and who was recently beaten by an eighteen-year-old school-boy.

"Johnnie" Andrew, a native of Prestwick, was resident in Edinburgh in his younger days, and having been brought up to the game naturally took a great interest in golf tournaments in the city. In 1898 he first took part in the Dispatch Trophy, playing for Ye Monks, a team who passed out of the tournament a good many years ago, and then he was a member of the Flevlands team who had their names engraved on the Trophy over thirty years ago.

The other members of the team according to "Johnnie" were J. Rankine, Sandy Armour, and B. Rankine, and he recalled how Flevlands reached the final in 1901, but were defeated by one hole.

"The Shooter Shot."

He had a great chuckle over that, and it was some time before he could tell me the reason of the merriment. Laughing heartily at the recollection he told me that the elder Rankine and he were nine up playing first couple, and the men behind were ten down so they went out by the odd hole. The result, it seems, created a great sensation at the Braid.

He was very anxious for news of the Braid clubs, and nodded reflectively when I mentioned that most of the old ones were still entering for the tournament, although some that existed in his time were now defunct, writes Niblick in the Sports Dispatch.

Johnnie is a perfect walking golf almanac, and can recall any incident in championships on the Prestwick course: at a moment's notice. He is very proud of Tommy Armour's achievements at Carnoustie this year, and vouches that in his Braid days he taught the Open Champion many of the tricks in the golfing trade. In one of his Dispatch Trophy years Armour, acted as his caddie.

Just before I left him he recalled how Armour, the last time he played at Prestwick, got into a nasty lie in one of the deadly bunkers. Andrew was standing by, and afterwards the two discussed how the ball should have been played. "You remember the auld shooter shot I showed ye," said Johnnie,

THAMES DRAW WITH BRENTFORD.

Third Division South Result.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME.

London, Yesterday.
The following is the result of the only League match played today, in the Third Division (South):—
Thames 1 Brentford 1
—Reuter.

To-morrow's Matches.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Birmingham v. Arsenal
Chelsea v. Huddersfield T.
Derby C. v. Sheffield U.
Grimsby T. v. Newcastle U.
Leicester C. v. Manchester C.
Liverpool v. Aston Villa
Portsmouth v. Blackburn R.
Wednesday v. Bolton W.
Sunderland v. Everton
West Brom. v. Blackpool
West Ham U. v. Middlesbrough

Division II.

Bradford C. v. Notts Cnty
Burnley v. Stoke C.
Bury v. Oldham Ath.
Chesterfield v. Charlton A.
Leeds U. v. Barnsley
Manchester U. v. Swansea T.
Millwall v. Plymouth Ar.
Notts For. v. Wolves
Port Vale v. Bristol C.
Preston N.E. v. Southampton
Tottenham H. v. Bradford

Division III. (South).

Bristol R. v. Crystal Pal.
Cardiff C. v. Reading
Clapton O. v. Mansfield T.
Coventry C. v. Thames
Exeter C. v. Brentford
Gillingham v. Fulham
Luton T. v. Southend U.
Norwich C. v. Northampton T.
Queen's P.R. v. Bournemouth
Swindon T. v. Brighton
Torquay U. v. Watford

Division III. (North).

Accrington S. v. Doncaster R.
Carlisle U. v. Crewe A.
Darlington v. Chester
Gateshead v. Barrow
Halifax T. v. Lincoln C.
Rotherham U. v. York C.
Stockport C. v. Southport
Tranmere R. v. New Brighton
Walsall v. Hull C.
Wigan B. v. Hartlepool U.
Wrexham v. Rochdale

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen v. Dundee
Clyde v. Partick T.
Dundee U. v. Cowdenbeath
Falkirk v. Airdrieonians
Hamilton A. v. Motherwell
Kilmarnock v. St. Mirren
Leith Ath. v. Hearts
Morton v. Third Lanark
Queen's Park v. Ayr U.
Rangers v. Celtic

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—To-morrow—Third Y.M.C.A. Trial.
PING PONG—To-morrow—Singles Championship—Sin Siu-kow v. Wong Hok-ming at Empress Hotel.

LAWN BOWLS—To-morrow—First Division—Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C.; Second Division—H.K. Electric R. v. Club de Recreio; Kowloon C.C. v. Tai-koo R.C. Yacht Club v. Craigengower C.C.
FOOTBALL—Tuesday—H.K.F.A. Council Meeting at 5.30 p.m.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day—Gentlemen of England v. New Zealand at Eastbourne.
Yorkshire v. M.C.C. at Scarborough.

To-morrow, Monday and Tuesday.
An England XI v. New Zealand at Folkestone.

Gentlemen v. Players at Scarborough.
GOLF—To-day and To-morrow—U.S. Amateur Championship at Beverly County Club.
To-day—Welsh Closed Amateur Championship at Aberdovey (Last Day).

To-morrow—Ireland v. Scotland.
RACING—To-day—King Edward Handicap.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Full English and Scottish Programmes.
MOTORING—Sunday—Italian Grand Prix.
ATHLETICS—Sunday—France v. Germany in Paris.

Indicating with his arm a pick up and throw. "It's the only one that would 'tak' ye out o' that."

GUNNER FORRESTER AGAIN TRIUMPHS.

Wins Army Harbour Swim.

TWO YEARS RUNNING.

The number of entrants for the Army harbour swim yesterday was the largest for many years, 74 diving off the Kowloon Railway pier. All but two completed the distance to the Praya wall next to the V.R.C.

Forrester took the lead over the last quarter of a mile with Evans close behind him. The sea was not as calm as it might have been, otherwise Forrester would have considerably bettered his time of 31 mins. 6 secs. Evans put up a great fight and was only ten yards behind the winner at the finish. This is Forrester's second win in successive years.

The first four swimmers to finish were:—
Gunner Forrester (R.A.) 1
Sapper Evans (R.E.) 2
Bdsman Jamieson (A. & S.H.) 3
Pte. Campbell (S.W.B.) 4
Times: 31 mins. 6 secs, 31 mins. 15 secs, and 32 mins.

A team race was run in conjunction with the event, and resulted in the various units finishing in the following order:—

Royal Artillery 1
Argyll & S.H. 2
South Wales Borderers 3
Small Units 4

BOXING TITLE FIGHT FOR BROOKLYN.

CARNERA - SHARKEY

New York, August 10.
Unless the Madison Square Garden Corporation again intervenes, Carnera and Sharkey will meet at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, on September 23, for the "world's championship." The fight will be over fifteen rounds.—Press Association Foreign Special.



Jack Sharkey, the Boston sailor, who has yet to convince the world that he is a world-beater.

GOLF.

Starting Times for Sunday.

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanning on Sunday:—
9.20 a.m. A. D. Humphreys, O. Eager.

9.24 " H. W. Duley, G. T. May.
9.28 " A. Reid, D. J. Gilmore.
9.32 " Dr. J. McElney, J. R. Collis.

9.36 " A. Leach, D. S. Robb.
9.40 " A. C. I. Bowker, W. N. Buyers.

9.44 " A. O. Brawn, W. E. Vallance.
9.48 " T. R. Chassels, R. C. Law.

9.52 " Dr. C. H. Burton, J. R. Hinton.
9.56 " G. W. Reeve, G. Bond.

10.28 " Capt. Anderson, E. Gimble.
10.32 " I. H. Geare, E. O. Priestley.

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IMPROVE YOUR TENNIS.

[By Betty Nuthall.]

The shots of Bill Tilden's to which I referred in the last article, used to occupy a very small part of Bill's game, but he has cultivated them in later years in order to conserve his energy throughout long matches. He found the continual thump, thump of his cannon-ball service and drive was telling a tale, and this sleek chop of his not only takes very little executing, but gives him a breather because it slows down his opponent's game.



William T. Tilden, probably the world's greatest tennis player.

But if you attempt to imitate him, do not forget that Tilden is one of the few players in the world who can control such shots as this to a few inches.

Although there were many good volleyers when Vincent Richards used to visit Wimbledon, he stood out almost alone. While he could smash with the best of them, and would very often put a ball into the gallery, it was his placed volleys which gave him his fame. Driving at him, once he was at the net, was like driving at a

stone wall, and it took you some time to realise what it was all about. An appreciation of it would have done some of our own young players a great deal of good, because it was mainly due to extraordinary quick footwork. He had anticipation, of course, but he was always ready to move, and very rarely was an opponent able to leave him standing at the net.

Curiously enough, it was Karel Kocsluh's ability to "cover court" which first provoked my admiration for that great professional. Here again, of course, footwork is responsible. We often hear some stranger remark in surprise, when he is watching a good player: "Why, he never seems to run." It is true of no one more than it is of Kocsluh.

George Lott, who is mentioned in Tilden's list, is Johnny Dwyer's doubles partner, and they hold the American championship. It is not in doubles, however, but in singles and particularly against Johnny himself, that Lott loves to exploit that drop shot, writes Betty Nuthall in a special article to the China Free Press. It is, of course, one of the most delicate strokes in the game, this dropping of the ball just over the net, with back spin on it which makes it sit down, but it is a stroke well worth cultivating for occasional use.

Miss Ryan is its greatest exponent, amongst the women players. She plays it more than anyone ever has done in the history of lawn tennis, for she uses it for practically every stroke. There are people who say that sticking to that one stroke has cost her many a championship—but it seems to have won her a good many as well!

While I admire Cochet's half volley, which Tilden also mentions, that stroke always brings of course, the Senorita de Alvarez to our mind. But I said pretty well all I had to say about that in my article on the half volley. I have consistently, throughout this series of articles, drawn my illustrations from the play of famous exponents of the game, because I know of no better way of learning it. It will be objected that but few people can get to Wimbledon during that glorious fortnight, but there is a lot of misapprehension about that.

Anyone who is keenly interested in the game, and is in London during that time, would be foolish not to try to pay it a visit. There are huge crowds there, it is true, and the majority of the centre court seats are booked up as early as January, but there are very few days, except those on which the finals are played, when one cannot see at least a large number of the stars, for ninety-five per cent. of the play takes place on the outside courts.

Then again, with tournaments

RUGBY LEAGUE CUP FINAL.

Not to Be Played at Wembley.

A NORTHERN VENUE.

It is officially announced that the Rugby League Cup final will not be played at Wembley Stadium next season. In consequence of the usual procedure of playing the final on the first Saturday in May was not possible, and the Rugby League dates—namely, April 9 or 16. The first of these dates was not suitable because of the England v. Scotland Association international match on that day and permission to play at the Stadium on April 16 could not be obtained owing to the F.A. Cup final being played on the following Saturday.

Therefore the Rugby League final will be decided in the North for the first time in four years, and the Council will arrange for the tie to take place on April 9, which will allow the whole of the touring team to travel by the same boat. The New Zealand Rugby League have invited the tourists to visit them at the conclusion of the Australian programme.

Increasing in number all over the country—I see there are still more again this year—no one can plead lack of opportunity of seeing good play. It was with that idea in mind that I wrote these articles. Alone they may be of little use, but I have aimed at telling the reader what to look for when he or she has the opportunity.

Do not fall into the mistake of watching the game solely as a game. Watch it stroke by stroke, and try to analyse not only why the stroke is played, but just how it is produced. You will have to concentrate your attention on one player at a time in order to do this, and that is not easy. Time after time when I have determined to watch the details of some stroke which has interested me, I have found myself getting so excited about the game itself that I lost sight of my own object.

By the time this, the last of my articles, appears, I shall probably be on my way to defend my American championship. Whatever happens there I know I shall at least learn something, and that is what I have tried to do for my readers in this series of little articles.

TURKEY TO TAKE UP SOCCER.

Keen Desire to Be a Leading Country.

BRITISH COACH.

The latest addition to the army of British footballers who have coaching appointments abroad is Fred Pagnam, formerly Arsenal and Cardiff City centre-forward and more recently manager of Watford F.C. He left London recently to proceed to Stambul where he will at once take up duties as instructor and lecturer to the Turkish Football Association.

The position was advertised in Britain, and Mr. Pagnam was chosen from a very large entry list. His duties will be to travel throughout Turkey to instruct players and trainers, to raise the standard of football in the country, and eventually to build up a Turkish international team.

Interest in football has been growing rapidly in Turkey in recent years, and there has been a keen desire to secure a definite place among the football-playing countries of Europe. It is intended that Turkey shall enter the international field in the near future, and the appointment of a British professional as coach is regarded in that country as a big step towards the realisation of that ambition. Among those who are thoroughly in touch with football in all parts of the Continent the Turkish appointment is regarded as an excellent one.

Fred Pagnam has had wide experience of League football both as player and manager, and he will take to his new post sound qualifications as well as the good wishes of a wide circle of friends in and around London and in his native Lancashire.

H.T.O. SMITH GAINS DISTINCTION.

"Hat Back" and All Ten Wickets.

H. T. O. Smith, the Essex fast bowler, playing for Hounslow against Honor Oak at Honor Oak, took all ten Honor Oak wickets for 23 runs. He took four wickets with four successive balls. Honor Oak, however, scored 119 runs against Hounslow's 96.

KING'S CUP AIRMAN KILLED.

Plane Crashes in Canada.

UNLUCKY THIRTEEN.

London, August 11. Mr. C. C. Webster, the Canadian aviator who was placed thirteenth in the recent King's Cup race around Britain, died yesterday in Montreal from injuries received in a crash at St. Hubert airport the previous day. According to Reuter he was using the same machine he used in the King's Cup race.

The plane stalled near the ground as Mr. Webster was manoeuvring with two other machines which were practising acrobatics in preparation for a pageant which is to take place in Montreal on Saturday. Losing speed in the middle of a difficult stunt, the machine plunged to the ground and was wrecked. Death was caused by unsuspected internal injuries, for at first it was believed that Mr. Webster had only broken his foot and fractured his wrist. He was to have attended a dinner last night given by young aviator friends in honour of his achievement in the King's Cup race.

Mr. Webster climbed from thirty-fourth to thirteenth place in last month's race. He made a wonderful fight against his formidable handicap, and was one of the 21 entrants to finish.

THE ST. LEGER CALL OVER.

Cameronian Favourite for Classic.

London, Yesterday.

The following is the Victoria Club call-over for the St. Leger to be run on Wednesday, September 9:

- 6/5 Cameronian t and o.
- 7/2 Open t and o.
- 8/1 Sandwich o.
- 10/1 Goyescus o.
- 100/9 Salaam o.
- 100/6 Sir Andrew o.
- 20/1 Inglesant o, 25/1 t.
- 40/1 Suze o.

—Reuter.

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SIGH OF RELIEF.

Ground Floors in Hankow.

Hankow, Yesterday. Hankow breathed a sigh of relief to-day when it was found that yesterday's heavy rainfall had not affected the steady drop in the flood level. The ground floors of many houses are now dry.

The refugee problem is still acute however, and matted villages are rapidly being erected at Wuchang and Hanyang, but there are still many destitutes without shelter. Strong efforts are being made to prevent the spread of disease, and Red Cross sampans are touring the streets offering free inoculation against typhoid and cholera.

There is still a grave fear of an attack from Communists, and military spies are busy in refugee camps, as it is believed that "red" agents are very active in these camps.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has ordered a division of National Guards and the fourth division from Honan to assist in the garrison of Wuhan.—Reuter.

EXCITED SCENES.

Re-opening of Stock Exchange in Berlin.

Berlin, Yesterday. Excited scenes, with huge crowds thronging the streets, marked the opening of the Berlin Stock Exchange for the first time since the crisis.

Directors and staffs of banking institutions had a strenuous week, and worked till the early hours of the morning, preparing for the opening.

The latest instruction from the Stock Exchange committee to members is to keep their nerves steady and not take notice of disquieting rumours, measures for counteracting the effects of which are in readiness.

A quiet bourse is expected owing to the lack of capital.—Reuter.

NAUTILUS.

No News for Four Days.

Oslo, Yesterday. The Norwegian coal ship Ingertre claims to have heard weak and unintelligible signals from the submarine Nautilus, according to a report from Spitzbergen.

In spite of this, anxiety is felt for the safety of the submarine, of which no news has been received for four days. The Nautilus is able to keep submerged for 96 hours.—Reuter.

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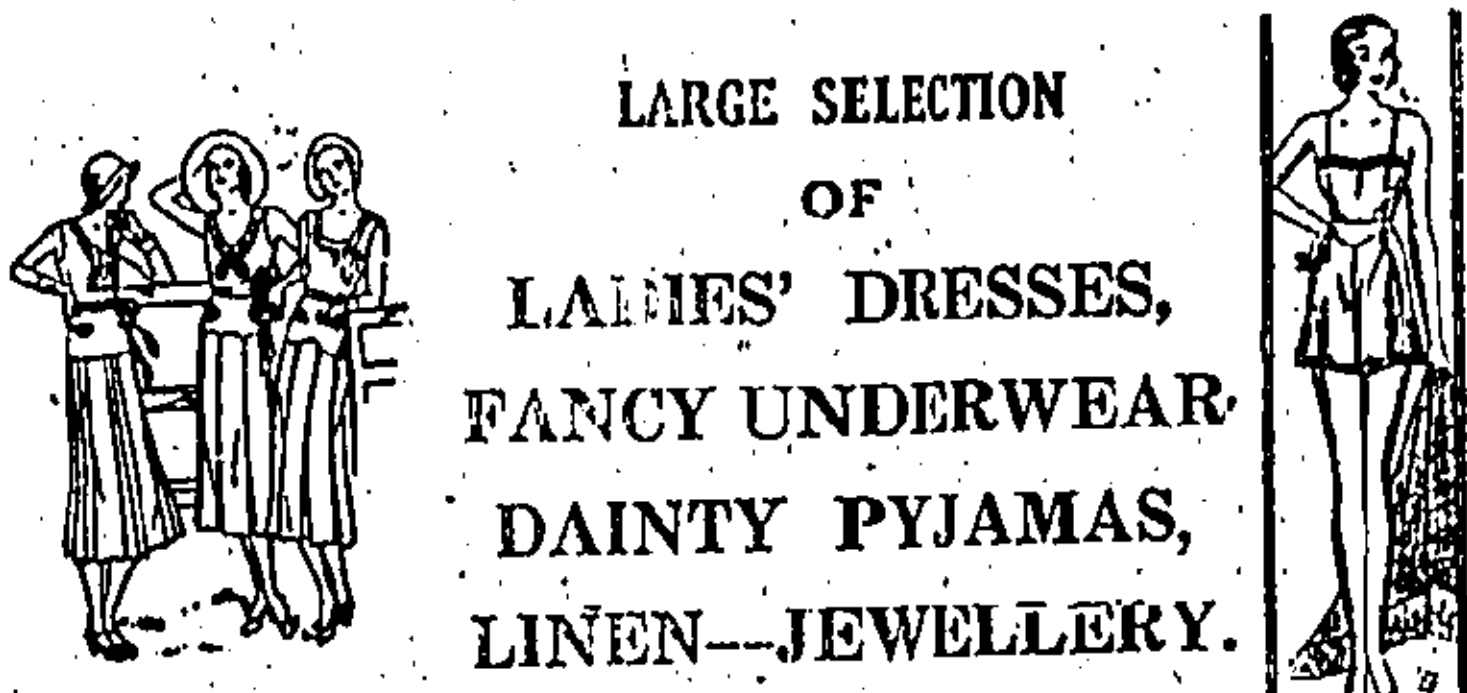
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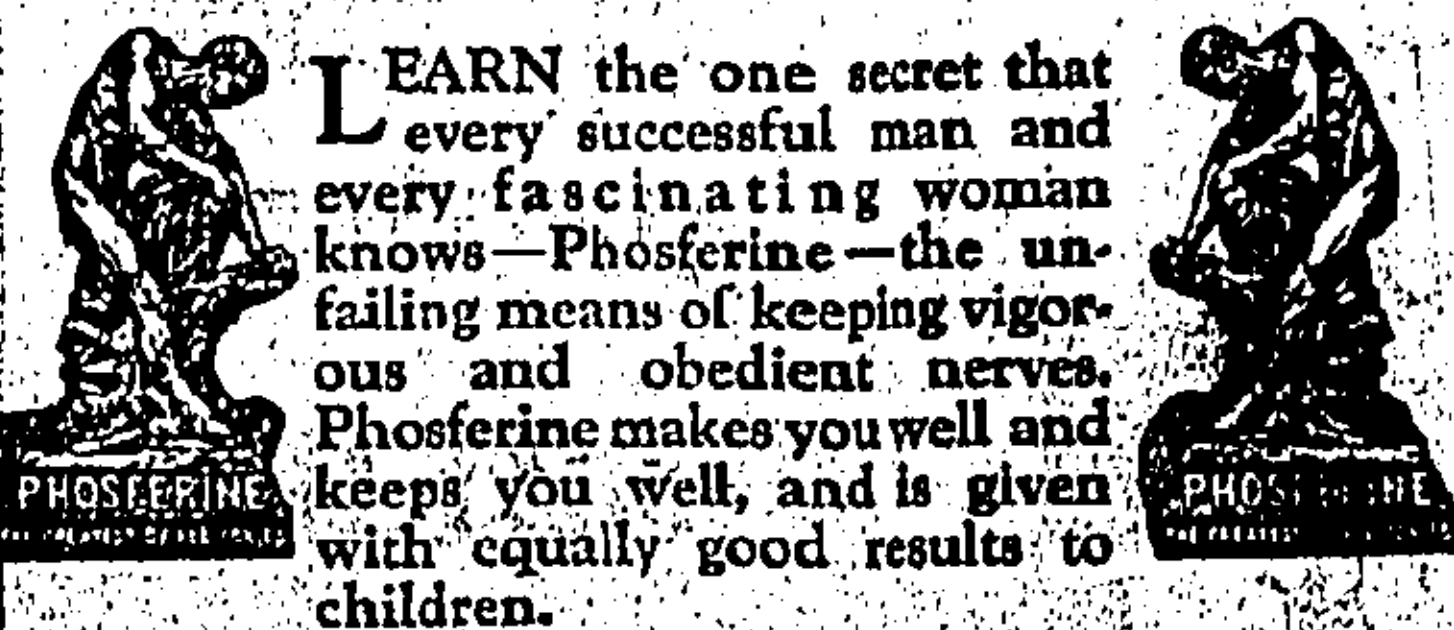
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MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The service in memory of those who lost their lives in the Kwong-sang disaster will now take place at St. John's Cathedral on Friday, September 11, and not as previously announced.

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, Sept. 4, 1931.

Clearing the Air.

The question of smoke abatement has always been a serious problem wherever modern factories have been gathered together in the world's industrial centres. But, while it has absorbed a great deal of the attention of machinery users, engineers and scientists, and while "smoke consuming" appliances of many varieties have been used on boilers, furnaces and so on with more or less success, the problem of smoke elimination has never been actually solved up to now.

In fact, the huge difficulties in attaining that ideal condition have caused the matter, generally speaking, to be shelved and sometimes dropped altogether as impossible.

Many spasmodic and sometimes very expensive efforts have been made to dissipate the "smoke cloud" and is always associated with the big industrial centres, and strict and often very inconvenient local regulations have existed in some of them for decreasing the nuisance.

In Britain, too, there is a Smoke Abatement Act which, if not very popular and not in all respects particularly workable, at all events tends to make people think about the subject. Nevertheless, the world, though recognising the evil of the smoke nuisance, has generally accepted it as a necessary evil.

But, while people, often directly affected, have neglected the question of practical smoke abatement, there is one city where this very serious difficulty has never been shelved and that is the city which certainly was in the past one of the greatest of all sufferers from the smoke cloud—Sheffield.

In that particular city the smoke problem offered far more formidable obstacles to a perfect solution than in any other and it is for this very reason that Sheffield has never allowed herself to sleep on this important matter.

Sheffield's difficulty was not merely due to the great volume of her steel production, but also to the infinite diversity of her steel manufactures. Each one of her industries is naturally a great smoke producer and to counteract this has been the unswerving purpose of Sheffield's highly efficient Smoke Abatement Research Committee.

The efforts of the smoke fighters in Sheffield have been so far successful that, although Sheffield's output today is much greater than it was in pre-war days, the density of her smoke cloud at present is far less than it ever was at that time.

Then, again, Sheffield, by the nature and volume of her products, ought to be the smokiest place on earth, yet her atmosphere is far cleaner than that of many cities where the smoke problem is far less severe.

The great difficulty does not lie in the mere creation of "smoke-consuming" plant but in the creation of such plant as may be applied without either reducing the efficiency of manufacturing or raising the cost of production beyond the commercial limit.

Scientists and statisticians, backed by all the resources of the Sheffield University, have had the whole-hearted co-operation of the manufacturers in working out and testing this problem in Sheffield. Present and past methods have been closely examined, criticised and amended. Every accepted method of smoke reduction has been installed, every new invention for the purpose has been patiently tested and only thrown out when it failed to effect its object. The regulation of the temperature of furnaces and boilers and the steady feeding of fuels have played a great part in the reduction of the smoke volume.

Then the careful application of electrical heating in place of coal and gas where possible has done much to improve matters. Finally, by the skilful management of the different works very much can be and is done in systematising the manner of treatment and in timing those operations which in the past have been great and sudden smoke producers.

But the total elimination of smoke has not yet been effected in the big industrial centres, nor must it be expected until coal fuel becomes a thing of the past. The marvellous achievements in smoke reduction, however, by Sheffield under the least favourable conditions in the world have drawn the attention and the visits of industrialists from every quarter of the globe to that great steel centre. And these applicants for advice are not all from the old established manufacturing cities who are already sufferers from the smoke evil. Many who are studying this question came from comparatively new cities where the rapid growth of local industries already fore-shadows the possibility of the advent of the smoke curse.

Though complete elimination is not yet within measurable distance, it would seem that at last Sheffield has hit upon an invention which bids fair to bring it a step nearer to that ideal. This is a new furnace such as is used in rolling mills, which have been among the most prolific of Sheffield's smoke producing plants in the past.

This furnace is claimed to burn up all its own smoke, and the inventor, who is chief engineer to one of the big steel works, has expended ten years of his life in working out and perfecting his designs. And now one of these marvellous furnaces has been working for some months at a big rolling mill under the watchful eyes of the inventor, the smoke authorities, engineers and health and other experts. The result seems to show an entire absence of smoke.

What this and other new inventions will mean to Sheffield and the rest of the world when their use becomes general cannot be estimated, but in any case they should be of infinite value to all who are fighting, or suffering from, the smoke nuisance.

Mail Commentary.

Society's Ostriches.
"Society to-day," says Lord Eustace Percy, "consists of a number of widely scattered ostriches which, with their heads buried in a patch of sand, are exclaiming in a muffled tone that theirs is the only patch of sand which it is really worth while for anybody to bury their heads in."

He went on to say that it was the duty of teachers to remedy this by stripping away prejudices, and turning a quaking morass into firm ground for the generations of the future.

Society has been the butt of the cynic and so-called humourist from time immemorial, and Society will continue to be ridiculed and criticised for long years yet to come. Much of the ridicule and criticism is directly the outcome of envy. It may be likened to the yapping of a toy-dog at a Great Dane. On the other hand, there is much in and about Society, especially its undue tendency to artificiality, which deserves criticism and ridicule. But, place Society in the balance, and pile up against it all its faults, all its abuses and shortcomings, yet will the balance weigh in favour of Society. A bold statement to make these days when so much is heard of the evils of class distinction and the necessity for equality.

A Stupendous Encyclopedia.
The British Museum has lately been presented with three volumes from the Yung Lo T'ien, the famous Chinese encyclopedia, which in all probability was the most stupendous literary work ever completed. Compiled to the order of the Emperor Yung Lo, who reigned at the beginning of our fifteenth century, it amounted when

finished, we are told, to over 12,000 hand-written volumes, of which at one time there existed three entire sets. Two of these were destroyed at the downfall of the Ming dynasty, but the third set survived, depleted by borrowers, in the Han Lin College, Peking, until the Boxer Rising in 1900, when the college was burned. Less than 300 volumes were rescued from the flames, and of the many which were dispersed the Museum now possesses nine.

This tremendous work, which contained many drawings, was a dictionary, Orientalists tell us, no less than an encyclopaedia, for it contained all the characters in the Chinese language. The table of contents filled twenty volumes. The books received by the Museum measure 50 by 30 centimetres, and the binding is covered with yellow silk.

The Music Teacher.

To fulfil the requirements of Sir Hugh Allen, Director of the Royal College of Music, the music teacher must needs be a person of immensely varied attainments. He must possess:

The hand of a musician.
The mind of a seer.
The persuasiveness of an Orpheus.
The eye of a hawk.
The ear of a terrier.
The patience of Job.
The optimism of a Micawber.
The delicacy and quickness of a dragon fly.
The courage of a lion, and
The diplomacy of an archangel.

Sir Hugh's ideal of that perfection was quoted in an address given at the tenth summer course in music teaching, at Oxford, by Mr. W. A. Clegg, assistant secretary to Plymouth Education Committee. Capt. P. S. G. O'Donnell, Director of Music to the Royal Marines, had some advice to give to various instrumentalists.

"It is essential for a French horn player," he said, "to have a good ear. He really should be a singer, for if a man can sing a passage from sight he will pitch his notes on the French horn well, but otherwise he will get all muddled up." Capt. O'Donnell urged trombonists not to go jazzing about on their instruments. "They often make a fearful sound in doing so instead of getting that beautiful crescendo singing tone which trombones can produce."

News in Brief.

The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, has declared an interim dividend of 7 per cent. per annum, less income-tax.

From the local office of the Dollar Line we have received a packet of matches, each box bearing an illustration of a Dollar liner.

It is learned at Nanking that the Sino-Soviet Conference at Moscow will resume its meetings on Sunday, September 6, says Reuter.

A man named Lo Po was charged before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, with unlawfully impersonating a police officer. After some evidence the case was adjourned.

Sir Cecil Clementi celebrated his 56th birthday on September 1. The Straits Echo says: He is a remarkably fit man for that age seeing that he has served over thirty years in the East.

Charged with the manslaughter of a man named Li Fat, in Nathan Road on August 4, a stoker named Chan Kam, employed by the Gas Works, was committed to the Assizes by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

The case in which Kong Sze-yik and Leo Arthur D'A. Guimaraes who are charged in connection with the alleged \$7,000 fraud, the victim of which was Wong To-po, editor of the Teun Wan Yat Po, was continued before Mr. E. H. Williams in the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon. Further evidence was given and the further hearing adjourned.

A Reuter message from Nanking states that the Government has approved the terms of purchase of 450,000 tons of wheat from America for relief of flood victims, the price to be the prevailing market price at the time of shipment, one third of the total to be paid at the end of 1934, one third in 1935, and the final payment at the end of 1936, with interest at 4 per cent. The wheat is to be shipped in American steamers, a minimum of 50,000 tons a month, all transport and insurance charges to be on China's account.

Evidence as to who was responsible for the erection of the three shacks at Wongneichung, just below the site of the new Jockey Club stables, was given before Mr. Schofield, coroner, and a jury yesterday afternoon, when the enquiry was resumed. Peter Pang, assistant manager of the Hong Sang contractors gave evidence and the further hearing was adjourned.

Three important dykes outside the West Gate at Nanking were washed away yesterday and thousands of refugees are now living on the top of the famous city walls. The level of the Yangtze is nine inches higher than that of the city. Emergency measures are being taken to prevent the flood waters from entering the capital. The situation is serious, cables Reuter.

LITERARY HISTORY OF FLEET STREET.

Records of St. Dunstan's.

The registers of St. Dunstan-in-the-West Fleet Street, dating back to Elizabeth's reign, have been restored. An exhibition of them was arranged by Sir Ernest Benn and the Rector of St. Dunstan's at Bouverie House.

Entries in the registers give proof that Fleet Street has been for centuries the centre of writers, printers and publishers.

John Jaggard, the law printer, father of the Isaac Jaggard of the Shakespeare First Folio, was married in the church in 1597.

Isaac Walton's "Compleat Angler" was printed in St. Dunstan's Churchyard. Three of Walton's sons were baptised in the church.

The records of St. Dunstan's are adorned with names of famous men of letters. William Tyndale preached there, and Dr. John Donne had his name in the churchwarden's book.

BAN ON BROKERS!

An official notice over the signature of the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Inspector-General of Police, which appears elsewhere in this issue, states:—

"The public using Ice House Street between Queen's Road and Des Voeux Road during business hours are reminded that this street is a public thoroughfare open to every one and not a place for the transaction of private business.

"Police have been instructed to keep persons using this road on the move, and to charge with obstruction all persons failing to move on when ordered. Rickshaws may be parked on the east side. The parking of rickshaws on the west side is strictly prohibited."

A "BIG WORM."

"Look what a big worm I have found," said Phyllis Lowe, aged seven, who was playing in the garden of her house in Chilcott Road, Knotty Ash, Liverpool, to her eleven-year-old brother John. But John, as a Boy Scout, had attended a lecture on snakes, and after instructing his sister to drop the "worm" which was three feet long, cut its head off with a spade.

The father of the children, Police Constable J. Lowe, has expressed the opinion, as a result of experience of snakes in India, that the snake in question is a poisonous carpet snake, and that it may have escaped from a crate of fruit in a railway siding which is in the district.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of September 4, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8 1/8.

Some opposition has been put forward this morning to the argument advanced in the Legislature that the rates here are trivial when compared with those at Home.

"It should be remembered," says a contemporary, that rents here are generally enormously greater than are demanded for similar accommodation at Home and consequently the rates based upon these rates are actually much higher than the percentage would suggest.

"A simple calculation will show how true that is. Say a house letting here for \$160 a month would let for \$50 a year at Home.

Hong Kong rate \$247, or say \$251.
Home rate say at 70 per cent. \$285 p.a.

THE FOREIGNER'S ENGLISH.

Samples of Gallant Efforts.

A TRAVELLER'S "BAG."

Make all the disparaging remarks you like about foreigners' shops and hotels on the Continent, but you'll have to admit that they have real linguistic pluck, says a Manchester Guardian correspondent. They play a jolly good game of English Language Ruggers, tackling bits of translation with a gallant flying leap which demands our respect and applause. In the course of travels in every country in Europe but two I have come across many a case in point.

Within an hour of Folkestone I found notices on the wall announcing "Our wines will leave you nothing to hope for" and "Rooms running water." (As a matter of fact I easily survived the former, and the latter were quite weather-tight.) A long-suffering German hotel, which had apparently been reduced to a frame of mind bordering on despair by the state of its rugs after sundry uncouth Britons had returned from long walks, hung up a reminder that:

"Your feet the mat must wipe, or mud the carpet begets."

A small hotel, up in the Alps, where the naive, pigtailed village maidens would forget their staff duties and peer through the doors ajar when splendid foreigners in evening togs (like novelette villains) sat down to dine, felt itself constrained to display this plaintive request:

"Strange gentlemen will to please not to dress for dinner, as this costume flutters the souls of the maid folk and no work is resolute. Humily asked."

"Home of Pretentious Visitors."

A French garage advertisement assured the travelling British public that its "Terms are Very Interesting," and a local Dutch guide-book, in Ruggers English, called attention to "A village renowned for the abandon of savour that are fished here. That village finds herself seated in a territory which afford abandon corns and every fruits." It was a Parisian jewellery shop which rather infelicitously declared that "All our stones are realistic ones," and a Paris barber who styled himself a "Wigs-maker With Speciality of Ladies and Gentlemen." It was a boarding-house in a Czechoslovakian spa which haughtily introduced itself as "The Home of Pretentious Visitors."

A German inn, which apparently had had a bit of trouble with its customers some time or other, presented me with a somewhat testy and plaintive communication couched in these terms: "The hotel shall replace the home for travelling people. This demands a good many trifling main points requiring lots of money, work, and attention. The guests ought to observe that a hotel is not an institution of public culture, but a

private undertaking with ends of making moneys. Besides that the hotels are overcharged with all kind of special taxes. Every guest expects to have himself received kindly by his landlord. How shall the proprietor be with 'good humours while fearing for his existence all times?' After a visit to his establishment it was quite a relief to encounter the waiter in another who asked me how I liked my 'ekks-boilt—tight or loose."

Chameleon Sunrise!
At a certain hotel in the Alps blankets and quilts used to get in rather a mess in wet weather from being snatched up as improvised togas in which to run out on to the muddy balcony in response to the tootling of the local shepherd's horn that announces the imminent rise of the sun. So there appeared on the hall notice-board this moving exhortation: "Mistress the venerable voyageurs and mesdames are earnestly requested not to take the clothes of the bed to see the sunrise for the colour changes."

In Basle I was importuned to visit a "lastly-erected establishment" which the owner recommended best to all voyagers, are to have ordinary and artful Baths, Russian and sulphur baignoires, pumpings, artful minerals waters, gams, limonade, and fourish apartments. An Austrian phrase-book, to which I turned before visiting the local barber, rushed to my help with "There is the peruke-maker. Has he a mind to cut hairs?"

After all this it is only fair to give any French reader a giggle, at our expense. My small nephew, after assiduously studying the injunction, in railway carriages, "Ne pas se pencher au dehors," remarked that he supposed it meant "Don't pinch yourself in the doors."

WAITRESSES IN COFFEE SHOPS.

After a discussion lasting nearly two hours, members of the Kuala Lumpur Sanitary Board recently decided with one dissentient that waitresses should be prohibited from serving in coffee-shops, eating-shops, and eating-stalls in the Sanitary Board area. The matter was last considered in January when it was decided to permit the continuance of women and girls serving in these establishments.

The subject was raised by the Protector of Chinese, who presented to the Board the case for the abolition of what he described as a form of exploitation of women, in the course of which he spoke of the temptations to which respectable girls employed in such places might be exposed because of the number of former known prostitutes who were engaged there.

Corroboration of the statements of the Protector of Chinese came from Mr. Lai Tet-loke, J.P., who said he spoke from personal investigations. He urged, however, that women should be permitted to work in coffee-shops if they were above an age-limit, such age-limit to be prescribed by the Board.

G.B.S. LIKES THE SOVIET.

"Better Follow Her Example."

BANG AT BANKERS.

Mr. Bernard Shaw arrived in London in mail week accompanied by Lord and Lady Astor and Lord Lothian, after a tour in Russia. Before Mr. Shaw set out he told a reporter that it was an insane thing to do. Now he believes it is one of the wisest actions he has ever taken.

"Russia," he told a reporter in London, "is putting her house in order. All the other nations are playing the fool. I cannot speak to you in detail about the great experiment I have seen. What I have to say must be carefully thought out and written. I am making arrangements to do this. Meanwhile, all I can add is this—we had better follow Russia's example as soon as possible."

"Were you treated well on your visit?" Mr. Shaw was asked.

"Treated well," he repeated with a chuckle. "We were treated like kings, and the food we had was very good."

"Is the cost of living high?" he was asked. "Well," he replied, "it's like everywhere else. You can live expensively in Russia if you want to, but you can also live quite cheaply. My last word, for the moment at any rate, is this—on the whole, I should advise a young man to go to Russia and settle there. Russia is putting her house in order, and we Western capitalist nations have got to look out, because we are not doing so. It is a very serious thing. It is all silly nonsense about Russia being a failure. Russia is going to be a roaring success."

Opinions on the Bankers.

When Mr. Shaw arrived in Berlin he was asked by Reuters whether he thought the bankers would be able to untangle the world's present problems.

"The bankers—bah!" replied Mr. Shaw, striding up and down the platform. "The bankers are the ones who have made this mess of things. They have not the vaguest idea of what the trouble is all about. They have been playing with theories and apparently they do not know the first thing about their business."

"Any child ought to know that the world can not exist on credit. You have got to build houses with sticks and stones and you have got to eat bread to live. But the bankers haven't realised that yet, and they seem to think that 'credit' will take care of everything. The best remedy to the world's ills is good hard work all round—not credit and more credit."

With regard to religion, in Russia, Mr. Shaw said: "I did not attend any church services while I was there, but I am sure no one is prevented from going to church as everyone in the rest of the world believes. People in Russia are too busy working to think of going to church—for that matter, churches are empty in London too, but there would be no end of protest if anyone mentioned tearing them down."

Asked about conditions in Russia Mr. Shaw declared: "There's plenty of food in Russia. Black bread and cabbage soup agree with me, and I have had plenty of both."

"It is torture to get back again after being in Soviet land. After you have seen Bolshevism on the spot there can be no doubt but that capitalism is doomed."

Bolshevism 'In Itself' a Good Thing.

Mr. Shaw admitted that at present Bolshevism would not do for England, but nevertheless, he said, it was making progress and was in itself a good thing. His trip, he added, had left a strong impression on him. He had not been to theatres much, but he had seen a number of films and liked them.

While saying all this, Mr. Shaw was running about the platform, ostensibly looking for his luggage. That, however, was being efficiently taken care of by Viscount Astor and the other members of the party.

When it was suggested that Mr. Shaw should see the famous "Temple of Pergamon" in Berlin, he at once replied: "That's just what I want to see." Unfortunately for his hopes, however, Lady Astor had heard about the building exhibition, and he gallantly gave way, and it was decided to go there.

Meanwhile, a large crowd had assembled outside the station. A movie man was working hard film-

ing the scene, while his assistant was trying to induce Mr. Shaw to say a few words into the microphone. "G.B.S." refused at first, but when he was actually sitting in his cab he took the gauze-covered apparatus in his hand and said into it:

"This is the first time that I have seen a thing like this. I am pleased to have seen it. Good morning."

All this scene outside the station greatly amused Mr. Shaw, as indeed everything else. From the obliging policeman who secured cabs for the party to the whole crowd who stood in a close-spaced mass obstructing the traffic until "G.B.S." drove off with a cheery smile.

THE CANNY MICE OF ABERDEEN.

Sir J. Arthur Thomson, the eminent biologist, exhibited rare good humour at a lecture on "Biology and Human Life" delivered recently at Oxford. He related stories of the intelligence of chimpanzees, and of the acquisitiveness (of knowledge) by Aberdeen Mice—Dinner-Bell Dash.

He said that consideration of conditioned reflexes led Sir Arthur to refer to an experiment made by Pavlov, the Russian physiologist. Pavlov took a number of white mice, rang a bell, and gave them a meal, and he stated that after 300 lessons it was enough to ring the bell to bring the mice dashing out of their dormitory to eat the meal that was not there. The second generation of mice, Pavlov said, required only 100 lessons, and the third generation fifty, and so on.

"I was sceptical about this," said Sir Arthur, "and started similar experiments in Aberdeen. The first result was very interesting. Whereas the Leningrad white mice required 300 lessons to associate the ringing of the bell with the food that was not there, the Aberdeen mice, as one might have expected, required only forty. (Laughter.)"

"But what about the second generation? They required exactly the same number of lessons. The Aberdeen experiment was quite contradictory of that made by Pavlov, who said that he must have been deceived by an assistant, and publicly withdrew his views."

Monkeys That Thought.
Sir Arthur told of an experiment made with some chimpanzees. A banana was put high up out of their reach, and one of them hit on the device of piling one box on top of another until by climbing on them it could reach the fruit. "That was sheer intelligence," he said.

Sherrington, when he left a room in which he had his chimpanzees, thought he would like to see what they were up to. In his absence, so he put his eye to the keyhole, only to meet another eye. (Laughter.) The same idea had occurred to one of the chimpanzees. It was a lady chimpanzee who got there first. There is no use using any word for that except just intelligence.

"I think that as the study of chimpanzees and other anthropoids goes on, the dawn of reason will be discovered. When some chimpanzees were given mirrors they were greatly pleased and spent days looking at themselves, each one holding the mirror in the left hand, but having the right hand always ready to punch the fellow looking at it through the glass. They never got rid of the idea that there was another fellow, but when the glass mirrors were taken away they found mirrors of their own which were merely pieces of polished tin."

"Then they found that puddles of water gave a reflection, and they would gaze into the water by the hour. I should think that just at that time there was the dawn of self-consciousness, that reason was just beginning to dawn on the chimpanzee's mind."

THE CHEAPEST BIBLE.

The British and Foreign Bible Society have just published a new edition of the English Bible, authorised Version, which will be the cheapest on the market.

In cloth, the edition is being published at one shilling. The cost of production has been defrayed from the special gift made by Canada last year in celebration of the 125th birthday of the Bible Society.

At present the Bible Society sells over half a million English Bibles every year.

PRESS ADVERTISING BEST.

Order of Foresters and Publicity.

Newspaper advertisements are superior in value to any other form of advertising, in the opinion of the Executive Council of the Ancient Order of Foresters.

A special investigation was made into the question by the Council, with a view to starting a publicity campaign to increase the membership of the Order, and the result was revealed at the annual High Court at Cardiff. It was pointed out in the report that the principal channels through which advertising may proceed are newspapers, weekly periodicals and magazines, large posters, cinema displays, and advertisements in trains, omnibuses, and other vehicles.

Educational Value.
Posters on hoardings can and do remind but cannot with advantage contain sufficient material to educate. The same is true of advertisements displayed in cinemas or trains, trams, and buses. A cinema picture, even if suitable material could be utilised, would require to be very general in character, and is exceedingly expensive if continuity is desired.

The Council therefore is of opinion that if the High Court decides to embark on a publicity campaign, Press advertising should be the principal medium employed.

Advertising plays a greater part in all business life to-day than ever it did before, and the Executive is convinced that the Order in all parts of the country has a proposition to offer the public which would prove attractive were it better known. It is fully convinced that the expenditure involved is well worth while.

FAMOUS SINGER.

To Give Three Concerts in Hong Kong.

Mr. Ivan Marshall, the famous tenor and a member of the late Dame Nellie Melba's Opera Company, who arrived here from Australia a few days ago, will be holding a concert at the Prince's Theatre on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Marshall has with him Mr. Paul Pedrini the great British foot juggler who will appear with his troupe of Zambesi baboons. Mr. Pedrini will also exhibit a peculiar specimen of wombat (half wombat and half native bear) which is the only one of its kind ever seen in Hong Kong.

Mr. Marshall, who has a very high reputation as a concert artist, will sing several Scottish and Irish ballads.

One of the big attractions of the show will be the appearance of two Chinese ladies, who will sing in Chinese, and perform some of their national dances.

It is trusted that Hong Kong will give Mr. Ivan Marshall the usual hearty support.

HOTEL GUESTS


At Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon.

September 1, 1931.
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TAI MING	SUN. 6th	TUES. 8th	WED. 9th	THURS. 10th
TAI MING	WED. 9th	FRI. 11th	SAT. 12th	SUN. 13th
TAI MING	FRI. 11th	SUN. 13th	MON. 14th	TUES. 15th
TAI MING	TUES. 15th	THURS. 17th	FRI. 18th	SAT. 19th
TAI MING	THURS. 17th	SAT. 19th	SUN. 20th	MON. 21st
TAI MING	MON. 21st	WED. 23rd	THURS. 24th	FRI. 25th
TAI MING	WED. 23rd	FRI. 25th	SAT. 26th	SUN. 27th
TAI MING	SUN. 27th	TUES. 29th	WED. 30th	THURS. 1st
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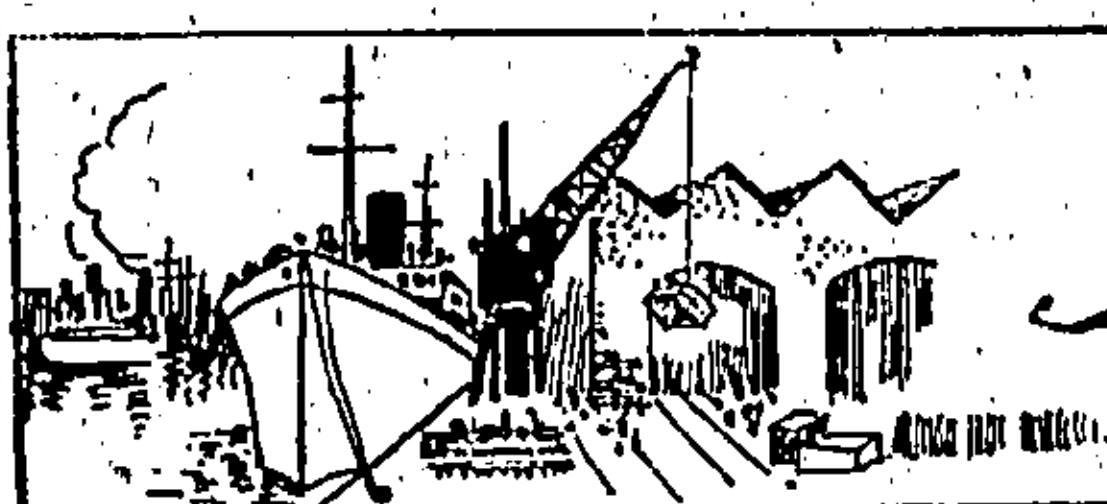
The famous yacht Firecrest, in which M. Aldin Gerbault sailed alone around the world, has been lost off the north coast of France. Soon after his return to France the "lone mariner" presented the boat to the French navy. After undergoing some repairs at Cherbourg she was being towed from that port to Brest, when she was handed over to the Naval School. In the heavy seas the little boat broke

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Shipping Intelligence.

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water level on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Sept. 2	Sept. 3
West River at Shihing	17.3	16.1
North River at Samshui	9.2	8.9
North River at Tsingyuen	10.7	9.9
East River at Sheklung	5.5	6.7

The highest levels recorded are:—Shihing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Tuesday, September 1.
Dorcy, Chinese str., 1,083 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage. — Chau Yee Teng.
Genoa Maru, Japanese str., 4,894 tons, Capt. M. Mishima, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf. — N.Y.K.
Kuramasan Maru, Japanese str., 1,133 tons, Capt. Yandow, from Milke, Yaumati Anchorage. — Mao Lee Chinese str., 1,209 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Swatow, buoy No. C3.—Yee Tai Hong.
Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,028 tons, Capt. P. Abbo, from Muntok, buoy No. A11.—J.C.J.L.
Tsinan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Amoy, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.
Unita, Norwegian str., 2,345 tons, Capt. T. Messel, from Chinwangtao, Laichikok Anchorage. — Dedwell & Co.
Wednesday, September 2.
Argun Maru, Japanese str., 4,040 tons, Capt. I. Kawasaki, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf. — O.S.K.
Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. F. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. B18.—M.M.
Danmark, Danish str., 5,372 tons, Capt. A. Rasmussen, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—John Manners & Co.
Haining, British str., 832 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Foochow, Amoy & Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.
Hector, British str., 6,841 tons, Capt. A. Ogden, from Keelung, buoy No. A2.—B. & S.
Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf. — O.S.K.
Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf. — Chiu On S.S. Co.
Mikawa Maru, Japanese str., 1,820 tons, Captain Yamaguchi, from Newchwang, Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.
Ryujin Maru, Japanese str., 901 tons, Capt. M. Kitano, from Keelung Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Trave, German str., 4,890 tons, Capt. Emil Tom Dieck, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers & Co.
Van Heutsz, Dutch str., 2,748 tons, Capt. H. J. G. Blis, from Singapore, buoy No. A12.—J.C.J.L.
Thursday, September 3.
Buenos Aires Maru, Japanese str., 5,818 tons, Capt. T. Kamishiro, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Chukasing, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. J. McAnish, from Canton, buoy No. B2.—J. M. & Co.
Peng Lee, Chinese str., 1,250 tons, Capt. Yamaji, from Tsingtao, buoy No. B3.—Loong Tai Hong.
Kaitangata, British str., 1,202 tons, Capt. G. Wilkins, from Bangkok, buoy No. C2.—Williamson & Co.
Kwangtung, British str., 1,572 tons, Capt. J. H. Hodgkiss, from Amoy, buoy No. A10.—B. & S.
Linan, British str., 1,386 tons, Capt. J. Layton, from Amoy, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.
Margaret Dollar, American str., 4,351 tons, Capt. H. T. Payne, from Shanghai, buoy No. A9.—A.M.L.
Meerkkerk, Dutch str., 4,886 tons, Capt. Coerkemp, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—J.C.J.L.
Paling Maru, Japanese str., 1,667 tons, Capt. K. Mineoka, from Canton, buoy No. C3.—N.Y.K.
Touraine, Norwegian str., 3,581 tons, Captain J. Bruhn, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Thoresen & Co.
Tsinan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

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Consignees of cargo ex m.v. Danmark are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 9.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

GENERAL HOLIDAY.

On Monday, September 7, the General Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon, Kowloon Post Office from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., and the other Branch Post Offices from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
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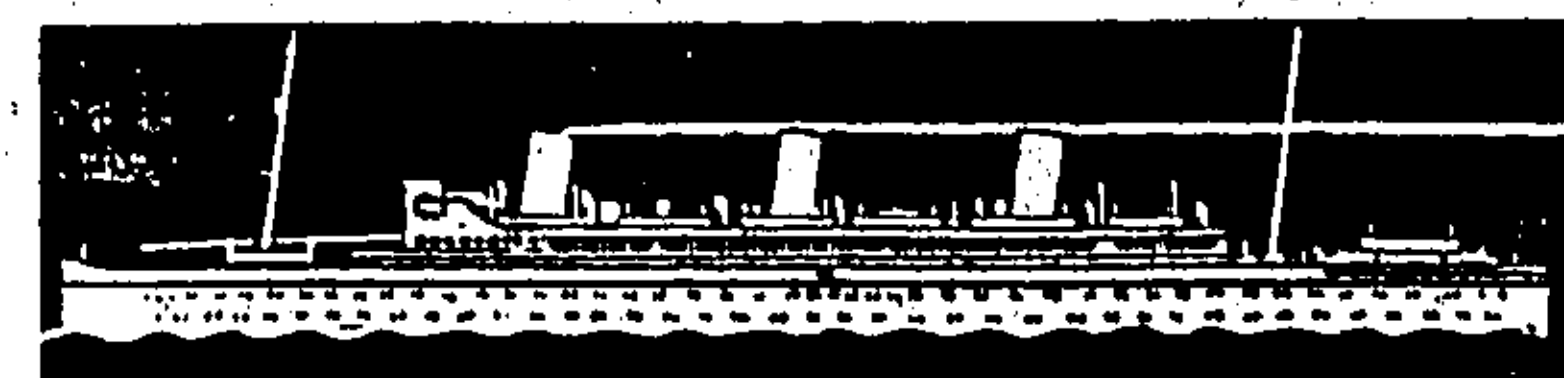
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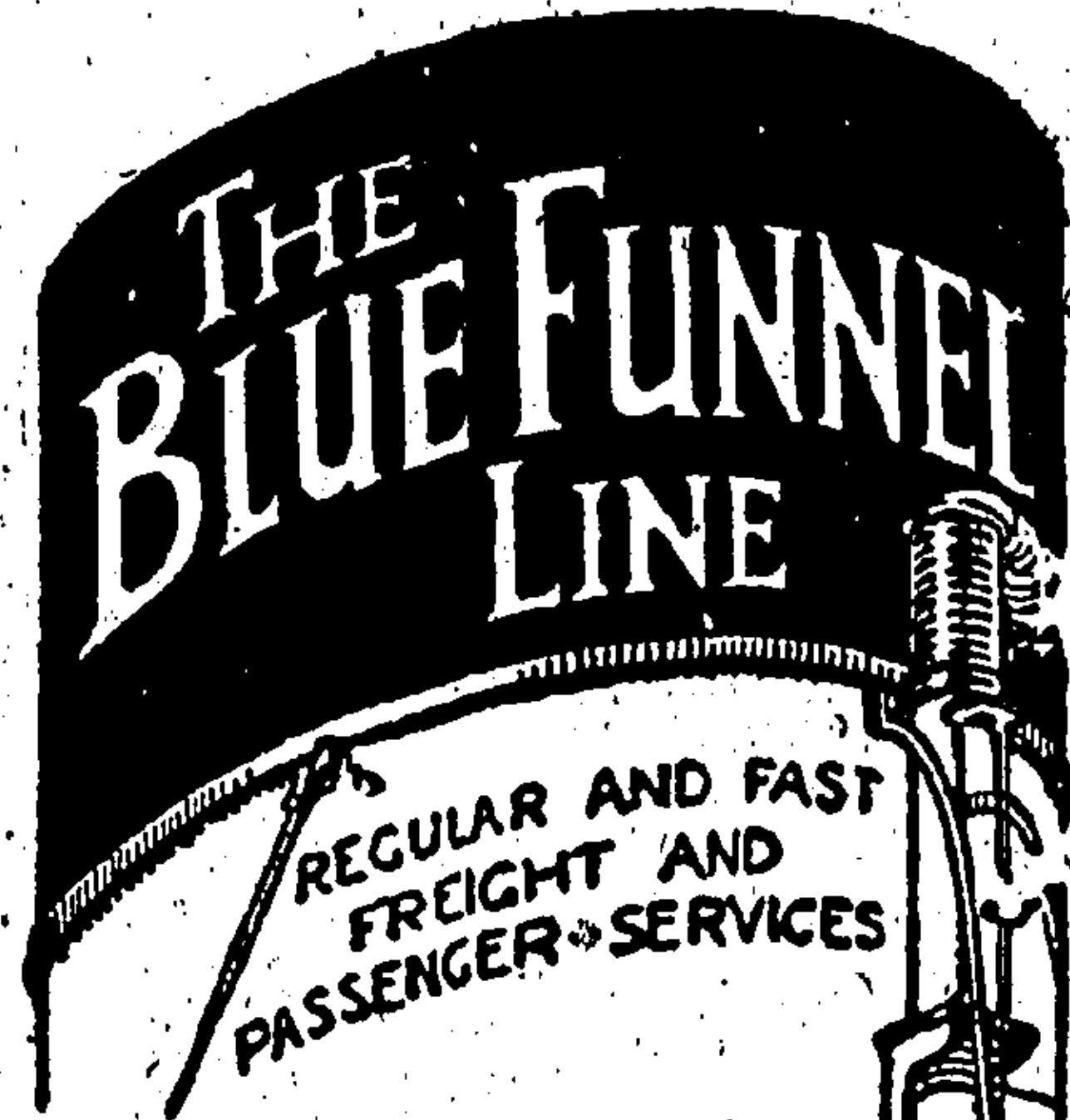
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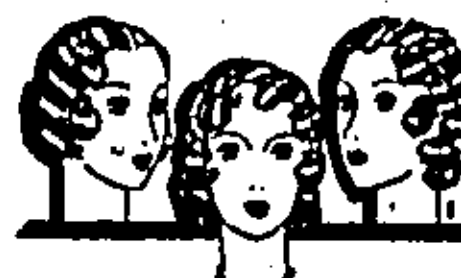
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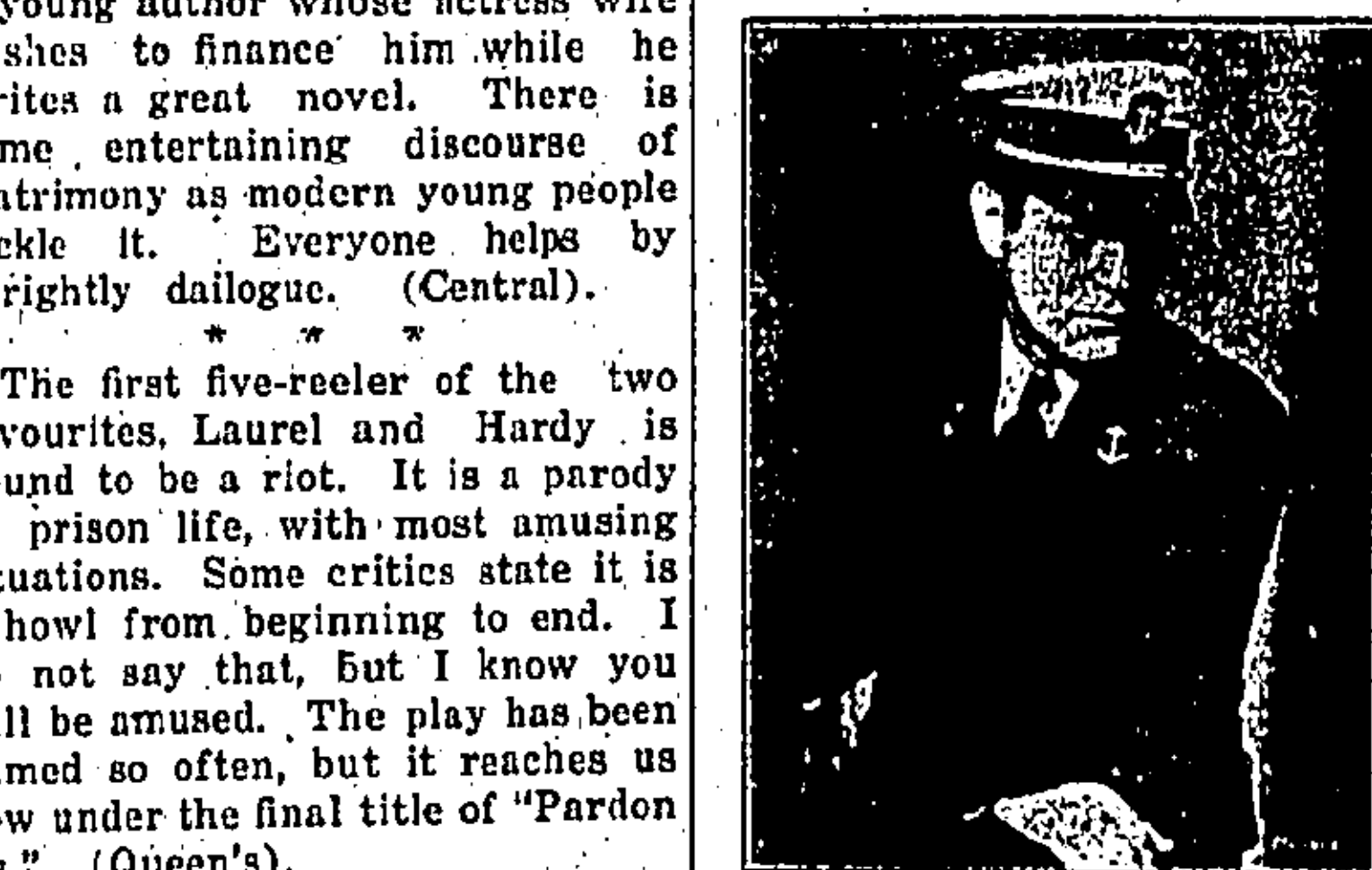
A more than lavish Revue is
Paul Whiteman's "King of
Jazz" now being revived at
Central. It cost \$2,000,000
to produce. The Director, Murray
Anderson, runs riot in a
melange of tremendous sets, dancing
girls, and indifferent principals—
with the exception of Whiteman
and Band—and attractive song
numbers of John Boles. Many are
of the opinion that it is the best
Revue to date. I hope the attend-
ances at the Central will justify its
revival.

A magnificent picture for George
Bancroft is "Derelict," and he is
ably assisted by William (Stage)
Boyd, and a newcomer Jessie Royce
Landis. The direction and acting
make it one of the outstanding
films. Miss Landis has had stage
experience, but this is her first pic-
ture. The story deals with a con-
tinual fight between two merchant
marine officers, and their final ac-
knowledgment of friendship. It is
serious and dramatic, and not to
be missed. (King's).

A pleasantly trivial little comedy
is "Up Pops the Devil." It is nice-
ly mounted and well acted by
Carole Lombard (who goes on im-
proving), Norman Foster, Lilyan
Tashman, the two "Buddies,"
Sheets Gallagher and Stuart Erwin.
We see the tribulations that beset
a young author whose actress wife
wishes to finance him while he
writes a great novel. There is
some entertaining discourse of
matrimony as modern young people
tackle it. Everyone helps by
sprightly dialogue. (Central).

The first five-reeler of the two
favourites, Laurel and Hardy, is
bound to be a riot. It is a parody
on prison life, with most amusing
situations. Some critics state it is
a howl from beginning to end. I
do not say that, but I know you
will be amused. The play has been
named so often, but it reaches us
now under the final title of "Pardon
Us." (Queen's).

Clara Bow, dramatic, emotional
and sympathetic, is to be seen in
"Kick In." Yes, the old stage play.
As we fear, this is the Star's last
Talkie. I advise your seeing it.
Regis Toomey, as the young crook,



Robert Montgomery,
gomery in his first starring vehicle
—"Shipmates." More of them
later. They are shortly due at the
Queen's.



Clara Bow.

released from the Big House, who
tries to go straight, almost steals
the picture. It holds your atten-
tion, and affords Clara with some
splendid opportunities. (King's).

The keynote of this picture, "Men
Call It Love," is sounded when
Adolphe Menjou, playing Tony, the
attractive man-about-town, an-



Lella Hyams.

nounces that he is about to live up
to his reputation as a menace to
loosely-tied couples. Not content
with easy conquests, he sets him-
self to fascinate "Connie" (Lella
Hyams), and then the fun starts.
As a play it was delightful, and I
hear the film is equally good. All
ends happily and fairly honourably.
Norman Foster is the young hus-
band, and Mary Duncan, the other
woman, naughty but nice. (Leave

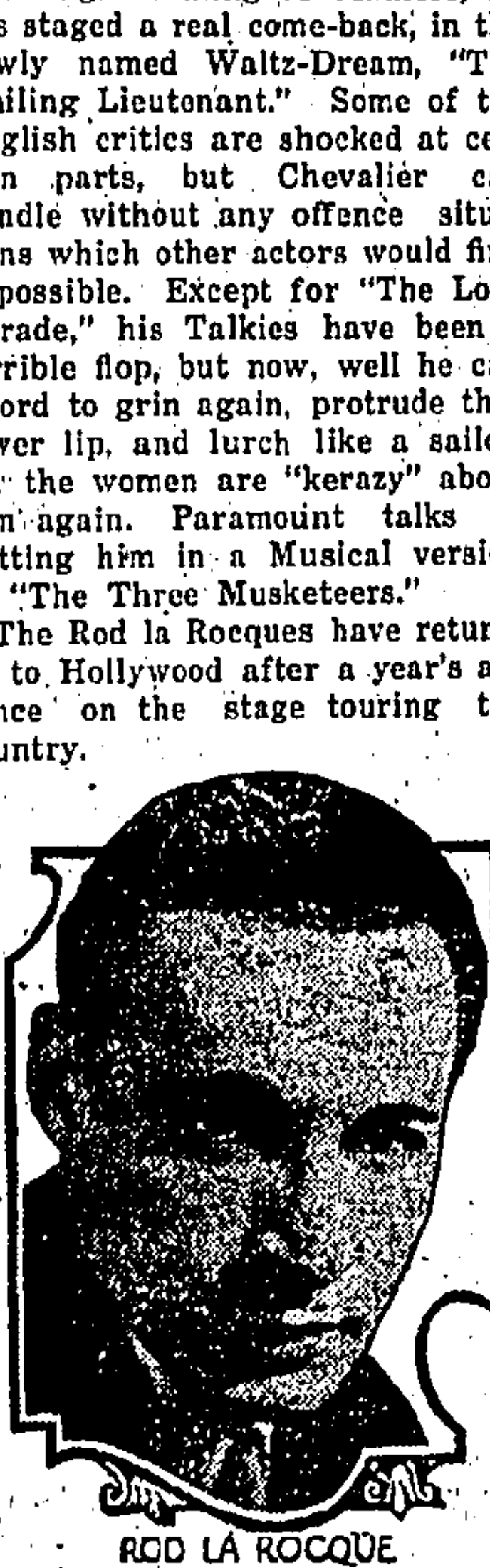
loved de Witt Taylor. Clive
Brook appeared to be smothered in
the production. Tallulah has
everything, but put her in a play
where wit and wisdom give her a
chance to qualify as London's idol.
I felt that everyone felt overcome
with the melancholy of the occa-
sion. A film we want to forget, but
not a woman we want to forget.
She has Fredric March in support
in her newest, "My Sin." Let us
hope they give her a plot, a cast,
something worthy of her. She re-
minded me greatly of Joan Craw-
ford in voice and acting. (King's).

Genevieve Tobin, when she stops
being so affected, may bring us
something new to the screen in the
way of acting. She is quite at-
tractive, at times. "Free Love"
was not great, but amusing in spots,
and Conrad Nagel worked hard.
Ilka Chase should be given better
parts. Monroe Owsley had nothing
to do. Zazu Pitts gave us all the
laughs. (Central).

HOLLYWOOD GOSSIP.

Red-head Jeanette Macdonald is
to be borrowed from Fox by Metro-
Goldwyn-Mayer for the coveted role
of "The Merry Widow." In a silent
version there is no one who could
better John Gilbert, but somehow
I favour Maurice Chevalier as the
Prince, with Ernest Lubitch
directing. Talking of Maurice, he
has staged a real come-back in the
newly named Waltz-Dream, "The
Smiling Lieutenant." Some of the
English critics are shocked at cer-
tain parts, but Chevalier can
handle without any offence sit-
uations which other actors would find
impossible. Except for "The Love
Parade," his Talkies have been a
terrible flop, but now, well he can
afford to grin again, protrude that
lower lip, and lurch like a sailor,
for the women are "kerazy" about
him again. Paramount talks of
putting him in a Musical version
of "The Three Musketeers."

The Rod La Rocques have return-
ed to Hollywood after a year's ab-
sence on the stage touring the
country.



ROD LA ROCQUE

Nils Asther, with a nice fat con-
tract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer,
has re-opened his Hollywood home,
and Vivian Duncan and new
daughter have returned from the
Continent.

Rumour has it that Greta Garbo
will definitely retire next year.
Over-dieting, over-work, and the
continual anxiety to please, allied
to the fact that Greta's childhood
was one of poverty, have all help-
ed to undermine her health. Greta
wants to leave the screen while she
is still great. A wise woman.

Paul Lukas (pronounced Lukaj)
is to do Rudolph Valentino's
"Cobra."

Pola Negri is in her cottage at
Malibu, waiting while R.K.O. fight



Pola Negri.

over the right kind of plays for
her.

Carole Lombard and William
Powell are honeymooning in Hono-
lulu. The film world expected an
enormous wedding in the Autumn,
but they were married very quiet-
ly, only in the presence of intimate
friends and families.

Carole Lombard changed her
name at the advice of a Numero-
logist, and an actress who has not
had the breaks as Helen Johnson

has now changed hers to Judith
Wood, and in Kay Francis' last pic-
ture Miss Wood steals the picture.
Perhaps there is something in it!



Nancy Carroll.

Pity to see the divorce of the
supposedly devoted couple, with a
six year old daughter, Mr. and Mrs.
Jack Kirkland. When Nancy Car-
roll was a chorus girl she married
the young Pressman who did so
much to place her as a Star. As
soon as the Divorce was made ab-
solute, Nancy married Bolton Mal-
lory, the Editor of "Life." This is
his third marriage.

Compared with the meteor-like
success of Rudolph Valentino and
Robert Montgomery, a young man,
who six months ago was unknown,
Clark Gable is now causing a
sensation. I was only one amongst
thousands who spoke of him as a
coming man, when I saw him as
Jake Luva in "Dance, Fools, Dance."
Acting in three pictures at once,
Greta Garbo's lead among them,
being hounded by reporters, all
this sudden success rather worries
Mr. Gable, but you just watch this

man, and believe me the beautiful
women stars are all keen for his
support, Norma Shearer among
them.

I was not too smitten with Lil-
lian Bond, the little London girl, in
"Stepping Out," but they say she
is extra good in William Haines
latest—"Just a Gigolo."

Lionel Barrymore, after his great
success with Norma Shearer in
"Free Soul," has forsaken the
megaphone to be starred by M-G-M.
in a mystery play.

Jack Oakie's differences with
Paramount have been settled and
he is at work on "Is Zat So?"



Lillian Bond.

No question about it, the long
romance of Lupe Velez and Garry
Cooper is as dead as the Dodo.
He has returned from Europe, look-
ing wonderfully well.

Elissa Landi has another winner
in "Always Good-Bye."

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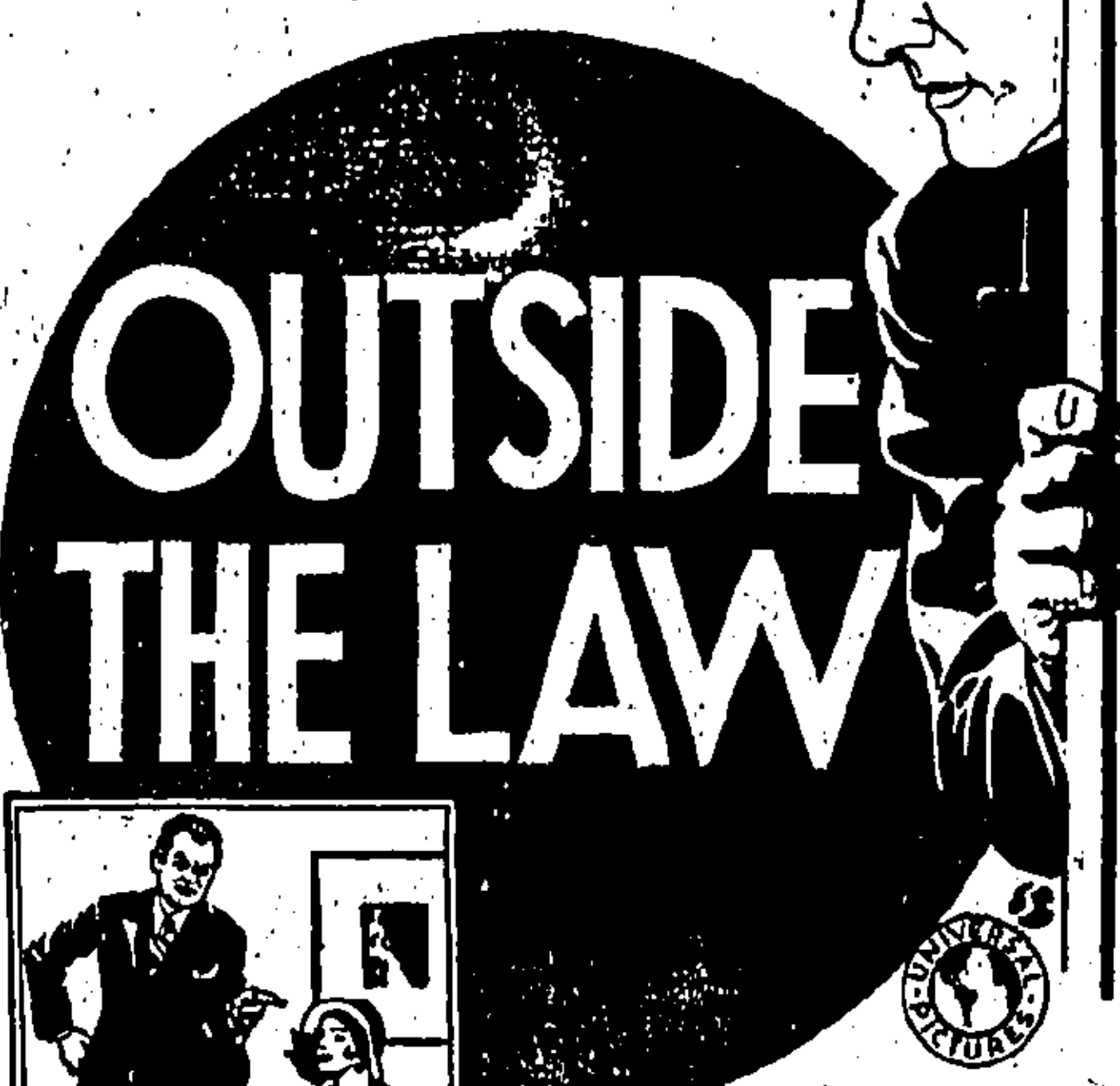
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NAVAL ARSENAL YARD.

Surrender Payment
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The payment of two million dollars to the Admiralty for the surrender of the Naval Arsenal Yard and Kellett Island was approved at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday. The site of Yard is to be utilised in accordance with the Government town-planning scheme, and it is expected that all the money will be recovered by the sale of building lots.

The removal of the Naval Arsenal Yard, said the Colonial Secretary, explaining the vote, ensured the protection of the arsenal itself, on the one hand, and the safety of a thickly populated area on the other.

Text of Proposals.

Moving the resolution, he said:—

It will probably be within the knowledge of hon. members that the Praya East Reclamation scheme involves certain town planning operations in the neighbourhood of Arsenal Street. These operations, in their turn, involved the resumption of a corner of the Naval Arsenal Yard, and the re-provisioning of certain naval buildings.

As the Praya East Reclamation progressed, it became evident that valuable buildings would be erected in close proximity to the Naval Arsenal, and the Naval Authorities became concerned for the protection of their Arsenal on the one hand, and the safety of the public on the other, and early in 1928 they suggested that a safety zone 130 feet wide should be left unoccupied on the East of the Arsenal Yard.

This proposal did not commend itself to the local Government and negotiations were set on foot which have culminated in a scheme approved by all the Authorities concerned, with the exception of this Council, whereby in return for a sum of \$2,000,000 the Admiralty will hand over to this Government the whole of the Naval Arsenal Yard and Kellett Island. The sum of \$2,000,000 is required to build Naval magazines elsewhere in the Colony.

The proposal offers considerable advantages to the Colony which will secure the removal of a serious danger from a thickly populated area, and will obtain a very valuable site which will be developed in accordance with the latest town planning scheme. The Colony hopes to recover the whole of the \$2,000,000 from the sale of the valuable sites which will be made available.

I now ask that this Council will set the seal of its approval on the transaction by approving the motion standing in my name.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was carried.

Other Business.

A By-law made by the Sanitary Board under Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, on August 4, was adopted.

The Rule dated July 23, 1931, made by the Registrar of Patents under Section II of the Registration of United Kingdom Patents Ordinance, 1925, was approved.

Two Bills were read for the first

time, one being "An Ordinance to amend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888."

A Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873," was read a second and third time, and passed. The third reading of a Bill to amend the law relating to births and deaths was withdrawn, in view of certain proposed amendments.

LEPROSY IN THE COLONY.

Replies To Questions In
Council.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council, yesterday, the Hon. W. E. L. Shenton asked various questions regarding treatment of cases of leprosy in the Colony. The questions, with answers by the Government, were as follows:—

1. What is the Government's policy in connection with persons suffering from leprosy in this Colony in respect of persons (a) entitled to British nationality and (b) those not so entitled?

2. Has the Government any facilities for the treatment of leprosy in this Colony and/or outside the Colony?

3. Does the Government pay the cost of transporting lepers out of the Colony?

4. Does the Government pay for or otherwise arrange for the maintenance in leper asylums of such lepers as may be transported out of the Colony?

5. Has the Government any data to show the number of lepers in the Colony in the course of this year?

6. Will the Government inform this Honourable Council to what extent (if any) the powers and directions contained in Ordinance No. 24 of 1910 has been exercised and enforced in the Colony?

Government's Answers.

The Colonial Secretary made the following replies:

1 (a) Non-Chinese are repatriated. British Chinese are treated in hospital or as out-patients according to the state of the disease. (b) Chinese subjects are sent to Canton at Government expense and are given a small sum of money to enable them to find their way to a leper settlement.

2 There are no special facilities inside the Colony other than those afforded by the general and infectious diseases hospitals. An institution exists at Shek-lung to which cases may be sent on payment.

3 The answer is in the affirmative.

4 Not as a rule. Payment has been made in the case of one Hong Kong Government employee. A grant of \$5,000 to the Shek-lung Leper Asylum was included in the Estimates for 1931 but payment has not been made owing to retrenchment. It is felt that no actual liability rests on this Colony for non-British lepers.

5 There is no definite information. Forty lepers have been sent away by the police during the first six months of the present year.

6 No steps have been taken to enforce the provisions of Ordinance No. 24 of 1910 in the matter of providing leper asylums or of making regulations under section 13.

LANCASHIRE COTTON INDUSTRY.

More Looms Per
Weaver.

BREAK DOWN.

London, Yesterday.

Joint negotiations between employers and weavers of the Lancashire cotton industry over "more looms per weaver" scheme have broken down on the question of wages.—Reuter.

FORCED DOWN.

Amy's Bad
Luck.

Moscow, Yesterday.

Miss Amy Johnson has been forced down between Ark and Kazan. Details are at present not available.—Reuter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Braga's Plea For Local
Employees.

A meeting of the Finance Committee, held following the Legislative Council, passed votes totalling \$278,410.74. Details have already appeared in these columns.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga expressed himself as curious regarding a vote of \$6,380.74, to provide for the difference between dollar and sterling scale of salaries for the Accountant and Superintendent of the Money Order Office. He wanted to know whether this change of basis had been referred to the Retrenchment Committee.

The Chairman said he thought not, but the officer who put it forward was Mr. Breen, Chairman of that Committee.

"Very Flagrant Case."

Mr. Braga thought it was unfortunate at the present time, when retrenchment was the order of the day, that there was "a very flagrant case" of a change from economy to greater expenditure on the part of the Council. Another point was that His Excellency in his Budget speech last year, had made it very clear that the Government policy would be to employ a larger number of officers, on a dollar basis.

The present proposal was the reverse of economy, and he did not think it fair that the Colony should bear the extra expenditure, when it had been so efficiently served by men engaged locally, and paid on the dollar salary basis.

Two Old Servants.

The Chairman replied that the whole point was to give Messrs. Reed and Dixon a fair deal in connection with the conversion of salaries. They came under a sterling basis by this change, which was only justice.

Mr. Braga said his objection might not apply in the case of very old and efficient members of the public service like the gentlemen in question, but he urged it as a matter of principle that finance be conducted on a dollar basis, which was the Colony's revenue.

The Chairman said a careful note would be made of Mr. Braga's suggestions. Did Mr. Braga agree to the vote before them.

Mr. Braga.—Yes.

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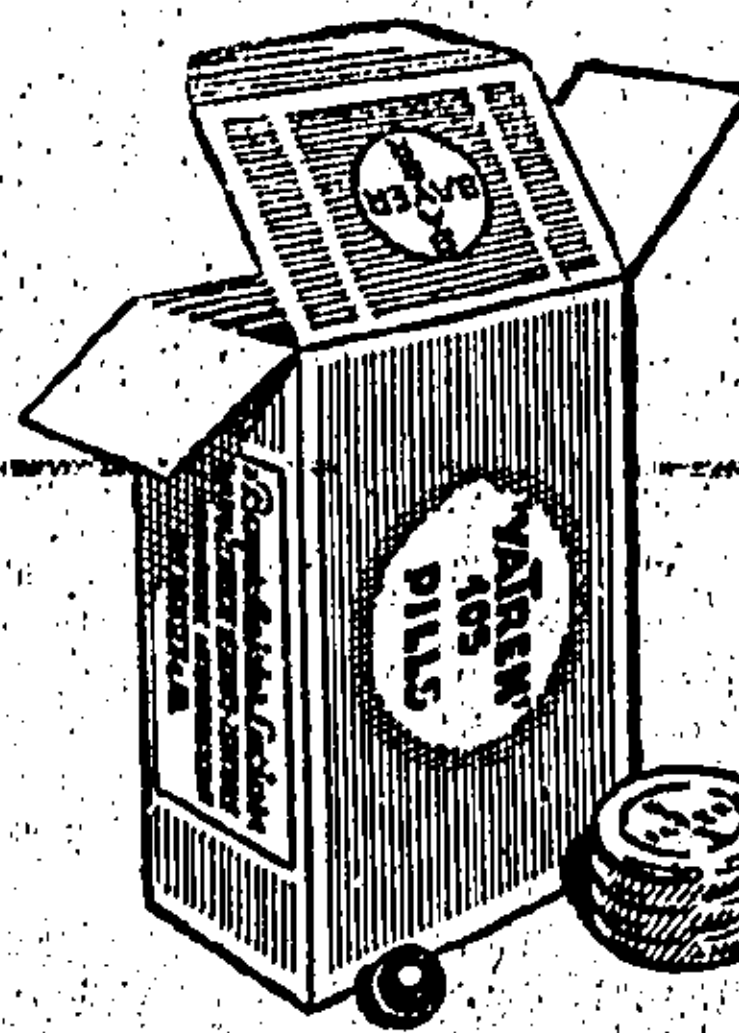
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